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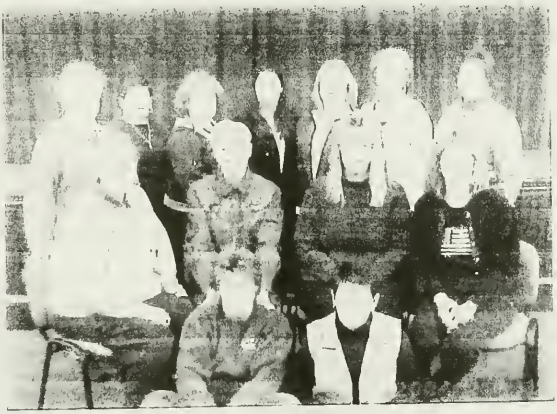
DEDICATION

This year our Town Report is dedicated to our citizens who served on the Address Committee, our past and present Town Officials, Town Administrators, Police and Fire Departments, Town employees, the New Hampshire Bureau of Emergency Communications and the US Postal Service in Alton, who have been working many years towards the implementation of the NH E-9-1-1 system in our Town. NH E9-1-1 will benefit everyone in the event of an emergency. And to acknowledge the dedication of the Town Officials and Secretaries, including some of them pictured here, who have been responsible for mailing over 4000 pieces of correspondence relating to E 9-1-1 and who continue to answer your questions and concerns about the system.

To everyone who gave their time and effort, a sincere thank you for making our community a safer place to live.

Pictured below are Ladies of Alton E9-1-1 Team:



Back Row, L-R:	Patricia Rockwood, Anne Kroeger, Christine Hughes, Susan Roberts, Kathy Currier, Jannette Coul, and Rosemary Jeffries
Middle Row, L-R	Shirley Lane, Shirley Bishop, Sheri Emerson and Mary Jane Dascoli
Front Row, L-R:	Francine Bonfanti and Marie Price

Not Available for Picture: Nancy Pritchard and Penny Williams

Please call 875-0207 or visit the Town Hall for information and brochures about NHE9-1-1.

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of the

TOWN OF ALTON

COUNTY OF BELKNAP
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE:

George W. Bush – President of the United States
Richard B. Cheney – Vice President of the United States

United States Senators
Judd Gregg
John E. Sununu

U.S. Representative in Congress – 1st District
Jeb Bradley

Governor of the State of New Hampshire
Craig R. Benson

Executive Councilor
Raymond S. Burton

State Senator – District #4
Robert K. Boyce

State Representatives to the General Court – District 31

Janet F. Allen	James P. Pilliod
Gordon E. Bartlett	David H. Russell
Laurie J. Boyce	John H. Thomas
Charles L. Clark	Michael D. Whalley

2002 Town Population:
4502
(Source: 2000 U.S. Census)

DIRECTORY OF ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

James C. Washburn, Chairman (2004)
Patricia M. Fuller, Vice-Chairman (2005)
Stephan E. McMahon (2006)
Donald B. Irvin, Chairman (2005) *resigned*
William A. Ryan (2004)
Alan Sherwood (2004)

BUDGET COMMITTEE:

Cydney Johnson, Chairman (2004)
Loring Carr, Vice-Chairman (2004)
Gregory Fuller (2005)
John P. Brooks (2005)
Norman Nardello (2004) *resigned*
Bradley Smith (2005) *resigned*
Nina Chambers (2006) *resigned*
Gerald P. Theodora (2004) *appointed*
Timothy Kinnon (2004) *appointed*
Ken Gilbert (2004) *appointed*
Stephan McMahon, Selectmen's Representative
Peter Farrell, School Board Representative

CEMETERY TRUSTEES:

Shirley Lane, Chairman (2006)
Mark Divito (2004)
Tammey Cornelissen (2005)

FIRE WARDS:

Kenneth G. Roberts, Chairman (2004) *appointed*
Richard Quindley, Vice-Chairman (2004) *appointed*
John Scott (2004) *appointed*
Stanley Czech, Chairman (2005) *resigned*
George Murphy (2004) *resigned*
Russell Sample Jr. (2006) *resigned*

HIGHWAY AGENT:

Kenneth G. Roberts (2006)

LIBRARY TRUSTEES:

Nancy Jordan, Chairman (2006)
Shirley Copeland (2005)
C. Eugene Rogers (2004)

MODERATOR:

Mark Northridge (2004)

PLANNING BOARD:

Thomas Hoopes, Chairman (2004)
Marcella Perry, Vice-Chairman (2005)
Thomas Varney (2006)
Donn Brock (2006)
Cynthia Balcius (2005)
Robert Eddy (2004)
Bonnie Dunbar, Alternate (2004)
Scott Williams, Alternate (2006)
Patricia Fuller, Ex-Officio

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST:

Marybee E. Longabaugh, Chairman (2008)
Anna D. Griffin (2006)
Shirley Bishop (2004)

TAX COLLECTOR:

Anne M. Kroeger (2006)

TOWN CLERK:

Lisa Waterman (2006)

TREASURER:

Patricia Palmer (2006)

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS:

Joseph R. Houle, Chairman (2004)
Muriel Stinson (2006)
John Kimball (2005)

WATER COMMISSIONERS:

Reuben Wentworth, Chairman (2004)
Edward Peterson (2006)
John Conboy (2005)

DIRECTORY OF APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS

ADDRESS COMMITTEE:
David Rockwood, Chairman (2004)
Francine Bonfanti (2004)
Irving Roberts (2004)
Michael Caverly (2004)
Raymond Tanguay (2004)

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER:
Suzanne G. Paradis

ASSESSING AGENT:
David Wiley (Consultant)

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE:
Marcella Perry, Chairman (2004)
Thomas Hoopes (2004)
Frances Washburn (2004)
Sandra Westen (2004)
Donn Brock (2004)
Donald Irvin, Selectman's Representative
Terri Noyes, School Board Representative

CODE OFFICIAL (*Building Inspector, Health Officer & Code Enforcement Officer*):
Brian G. Boyers

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:
Earl Bagley, Co-Chairman (2004)
Justine Gengras, Co-Chairman (2006)
Thomas Hoopes (2004)
Roger Burgess (2006)
Frances Washburn, Alternate (2004)
Stephan McMahon, Selectmen's Representative

DEPUTY FINANCE OFFICER:
Sheri Emerson

DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR & DEPUTY TOWN CLERK:
A. Marie Price

DEPUTY TOWN TREASURER:
Jean Stone

DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE:

Judith Fry, Chairman (2004)
Robert DesRoches (2004)
Elizabeth Varney (2004)
Cris Blackstone (2004)
Bonnie Barsanti (2004)

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

Alan Johnson, Director
Kevin Iwans
Kenneth Roberts

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY & WELFARE OFFICER:

Patricia A. Rockwood

FIRE CHIEF:

Alan Johnson

GILMAN MUSEUM COMMITTEE:

Kathleen Currier, Chairman (2006)
Ellamarie Carr (2004)
Patricia Rogers (2004)
Priscilla Okonske (2004)
Christine Elliott (2004)
William Crocker, Chairman (2004) *resigned*
David P. Rockwood (2005) *resigned*
Patricia Rockwood (2003) *resigned*

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:

Francine Bonfanti, Secretary

LAND USE & PROPERTY RECORDS DEPARTMENT:

Rosemary U. Jeffries
Kathleen A. Currier

LEVEY PARK TRUSTEES:

Richard Jones, Chairman (2004)
Kenneth Gilbert (2006)
Claire Fitzgerald (2005)

LIBRARIAN:

Holly S. Brown
Lucinda Miller, Assistant Librarian

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION:

William Lionetta, Chairman (2006)
Jack Bernard (2004)
Melissa Wells (2004)
Timothy Kinnon (2005)
Frances Washburn, Alternate (2004)
James Washburn, Selectmen's Representative

POLICE CHIEF:

Kevin D. Iwans

PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING STUDY COMMITTEE:

Charles Weston, Chairman (2004)
Marcella Perry (2004)
Jay Meehan (2004)
Richard Cunningham (2004)
Alan Sherwood (2004)

RECREATION DIRECTOR/GROUNDS & MAINTENANCE:

Kellie Troendle

SAFETY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

Kellie Troendle
Mark Divito
Lyndon Avery

SOLID WASTE CENTER:

Scott Simonds, Director

STATE FIRE WARDENS:

Alan Johnson
Scott Williams
Ed Consentino
Michael Caverly Sr.
Mary Jane Dascoli
Christopher Johnson
Gary Hannafin
Richard Brown

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR & FINANCE OFFICER & WELFARE DIRECTOR:

E. Russell Bailey

TOWN ATTORNEY:

James N. Sessler, Esquire (Consultant)

TOWN ENGINEER:

CLD Consulting Engineers (Consultant)

TOWN FORESTER:
Peter Farrell (Consultant)

TOWN PLANNER:
Peer Kraft-Lund

WATER SUPERINTENDENT:
Richard A. Quindley

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:
Richard Quindley, Chairman (2006)
Keith Chamberlain , Vice-Chairman (2004)
Marcella Perry (2006)
William Ryan (2005)
James O'Der (2006)
Stephen Paul, Alternate (2005)
Charles Westen, Alternate (2005)
Gregory Fuller, Alternate (2005)
Lyndon Avery, Alternate (2006)
Keith Dube, Alternate (2006)

OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
ALTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 11, 2003

Lisa Waterman
Town Clerk

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

A. To vote, complete the arrow(s) pointing to your choice(s), like this:
B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and complete the arrow.

SELECTMAN

for three years — Vote for not more than ONE

468 STEPHAN McMAHON
353 SCOTT NATHAN SWEEZEY
(Write-in)

TOWN CLERK

for three years — Vote for not more than ONE

831 LISA WATERMAN
(Write-in)

TAX COLLECTOR

for three years — Vote for not more than ONE

805 ANNE M. KROEGER
(Write-in)

TREASURER

for three years — Vote for not more than ONE

783 PATRICIA PALMER
(Write-in)

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

for three years — Vote for not more than ONE

751 MURIEL V. STINSON
(Write-in)

HIGHWAY AGENT

for three years — Vote for not more than ONE

227 JOSEPH BRENNAN
635 KENNETH G. ROBERTS
(Write-in)

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

for three years — Vote for not more than ONE

271 ROBERT H. DeROCHE
514 NANCY D. JORDAN
(Write-in)

FIRE WARD

for three years — Vote for not more than ONE

287 RUSSELL SAMPLE (Write-in)

FIRE WARD

for one year — Vote for not more than ONE

637 GEORGE W. MURPHY
(Write-in)

CEMETERY TRUSTEE

for three years — Vote for not more than ONE

SHIRLEY A. LANE 739
(Write-in)

WATER COMMISSIONER

for three years — Vote for not more than ONE

EDWARD "BUDDY" PETERSON 708
(Write-in)

BUDGET COMMITTEE

for three years — Vote for not more than THREE

NINA CHAMBERS 11 (Write-in)
BRAD SMITH 9 (Write-in)
JOHN BROOKS 6 (Write-in)

BUDGET COMMITTEE

for two years — Vote for not more than TWO

GREGORY FULLER 676
BRAD SMITH 3 (Write-in)
(Write-in)

BUDGET COMMITTEE

for one year — Vote for not more than ONE

CYDNEY JOHNSON 693
(Write-in)

PLANNING BOARD

for three years — Vote for not more than TWO

DONN BROCK 534
THOMAS W. VARNEY 650
(Write-in)
(Write-in)

SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST

for one year — Vote for not more than ONE

SHIRLEY A. BISHOP 741
(Write-in)

PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENTS

QUESTION #1: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend Article 200, Section 229, by deleting the existing language, which requires the Board of Adjustment to approve condominium plans. The deleted language would be replaced with the following language: *a. "Condominium Conversions of existing structures and uses as regulated under RSA 356-B:5, as amended, is permitted in any district and requires subdivision approval by the Planning Board."?*

(Majority Vote Required.)

Rationale: This housekeeping change is needed so that we will not be in conflict with state law. State law requires that communities do not discriminate on questions related to ownership. We cannot require a condominium to be treated by Special Exception but we can - and must - require Subdivision approval and, if a structure has three units or more, Site Plan approval.

YES 549
NO 204

QUESTION #2: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend Article 400, Section 430, a. by deleting the existing language and by adding: " *a. Denial of the variance would result in unnecessary hardship to the owner because: (1) the zoning restriction as applied to the property interferes with the reasonable use of the property, considering the unique setting of the property in its environment. (2) that no fair and substantial relationship exists between the general purposes of the zoning ordinance and the specific restriction of the property and*
(3) the variance would not injure the public or private rights of others?

(Majority Vote Required.)

Rationale: This is a housekeeping amendment to bring Alton's Zoning Ordinance into line with the latest court cases.

YES 564
NO 182

QUESTION #3: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #3 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend Article 200, Section 227 by adding new language to *3. "For all zones, excluding the Rural Zone,* 10 feet from all property lines not regulated by subsections 1 or 2 above and *in the Rural Zone* for *all lots lawfully existing prior to March 11, 2003,* and by adding paragraph *4* that states: *For New Lots (Lots created after March 2003) in the Rural Zone, 20 feet from the property line?*

(Majority Vote Required.)

Rationale: At the 2002 Town Meeting, the minimum size for lots in the Rural Zone was increased from one acre to two. It was felt that the increase was more in line with the character, and/or appearance of a rural zone. To further establish the rural look, it was felt that an increase in the setback for "new lots," from 10 feet to 20 feet, was in order. A 20-foot setback would allow for a more rural appearance.

YES 546
NO 252

QUESTION #4: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #4 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend the Zoning Ordinance by adding new language to Article 300, Section 370 3.0 which would read as follows: The Shoreland Protection Overlay District is defined as all land located within 250 feet of the reference line of public waters *and reference line of the waters of the Merrymeeting River/Marsh."* The following language is also proposed to be added to Article 300, section 370 8.0 C: "Primary structures shall be set back at least 50 feet from the reference line of public waters *and the reference line of the Merrymeeting River/Marsh."?*

(Majority Vote Required.)

Rationale: Because the Merrymeeting River and marsh system is an important and sensitive ecological resource within the town, the Board felt that the standards provided by the Shoreland Protection section of the ordinance would provide protection and enhancement of that resource. This proposed amendment would provide the same protection to the Merrymeeting River as now is given to public waters of Alton.

YES 607
NO 186

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(Majority Vote Required.)

Rationale: There is a concern that the Recreation Service Zone will be become residential only and, therefore, move away from the original intent of the zone ensuring space for the marine industry.

YES 411
NO 324

QUESTION #6: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #6 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend Article 500 Definitions by adding definitions for the following?:

Antique Shop, Automobile Service Station, Automotive and Truck Repair Garage, Automotive and Truck Motor Vehicle Dealer, Automotive and Truck Used Motor Vehicle Dealer, Automotive and Truck Junk Motor Vehicle Dealer, Automotive and Truck Motor Vehicle Washing Facility, Bed and Breakfast, Boat Sales and Service, Boat Storage, Building Trade or Repair Shop, Church, Day Care, Home, Duplex, Energy Facility, Fire Wood Processing Site and/or Facility, Greenhouse - (Commercial Greenhouse), Laundry or Dry Cleaning includes Self Service, Library, Lodge or Private Club, Lumber Yard, Medical Center, Medical Laboratory - (Medical Building), Marina, Motel, Museum, Nursing Home, Professional Office, Restaurant, Restaurant, Fast Food, Retail Store, School, Seasonal Cabin, Small Engine Repair, Utility, Warehouse, Water Extraction Site and/or Facility, Waste, Waste Facility,

(Majority Vote Required.)

Rationale: This proposed amendment provides definitions for all uses within the Article 300, Section 301 Table of Uses. At the present time the listed uses are without definitions and, therefore, it makes enforcement difficult and more work for the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

YES 536
NO 231

QUESTION #7: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #7 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend Article 200, Section 220, B, 3 by deleting the existing language, which defines the term Repair as: *shall not mean voluntary demolition beyond 75% of the structure above the foundation?* The deleted language would not be replaced.

(Majority Vote Required.)

Rationale: The existing language is impossible to define and difficult to enforce.

YES 508
NO 239

QUESTION #8: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #8 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend the existing Article 200, Section 240 *Sign Regulations* by deleting it and replacing it with a new Article 200, Section 240 Sign Regulations, to update and modernize the existing Sign Regulation?

(Majority Vote Required.)

Rationale: These changes are mostly housekeeping but there are a few changes that would allow for improved enforcement.

YES 490
NO 262

QUESTION #9: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #9 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend Article 300, Section 301, Table of Uses?

Table of Uses:

	Retail Business and Service	R	LR	RC	RR	RU	RS
2.	*Automotive and Truck Motor Vehicle Dealer*	N	N	E	N	E	N
	Automotive and Truck Motor Vehicle Used Dealer	N	N	E	N	E	N
	Automotive and Truck Junk Motor Vehicle Dealer	N	N	E	N	E	N
	Automotive and Truck Vehicle Washing Facility	N	N	E	E	E	N
	Energy Facility	N	N	N	E	Y	N
8.	*Firewood Processing*	N	N	E	E	E	N
34.	*Waste Facility*	N	N	N	N	E	N
	Water Extraction Site and Facility	E	E	E	E	E	N

(Majority Vote Required.)

Rationale: The new uses are being proposed in the interest of proper regulation and enforcement.

YES 480
NO 257

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
ALTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Alton, in the County of Belknap, in the State of New Hampshire, duly qualified to vote in Town affairs:

2003 TOWN ELECTIONS

You are hereby notified to meet at the Alton Central Fire Station in said Town, on Tuesday, the eleventh (11th) day of March in the year two thousand and three (2003), between the hours of seven o'clock in the morning (7:00 am), at which time the polls shall open, and seven o'clock in the evening (7:00 pm), at which time the polls shall close, for the purpose of acting upon the following warrant article:

ARTICLE 1a To choose all necessary Town Officers for which there are vacancies, for such terms as may be permitted by law; and to elect: one selectman for three years, one town clerk for three years, one tax collector for three years, one treasurer for three years, one trustee of trust funds for three years, one highway agent for three years, one library trustee for three years, one fire ward for three years, one fire ward for one year, one cemetery trustee for three years, one water commissioner for three years, three budget committee members for three years, two budget committee members for two years, one budget committee member for one year, two planning board members for three years, and one supervisor of the checklist for one year.

ARTICLE 1b To see if the Town will vote to adopt proposed amendments to the existing Zoning Ordinance as recommended by the Planning Board as follows:

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Automotive and Truck Junk Motor Vehicle Dealer
Automotive and Truck Motor Vehicle Washing Facility
Bed and Breakfast
Boat Sales and Service
Boat Storage
Building Trade or Repair Shop
Church
Day Care, Home

Duplex
Energy Facility
Fire Wood Processing Site and/or Facility
Greenhouse – (Commercial Greenhouse)
Laundry or Dry Cleaning includes Self Service
Library
Lodge or Private Club
Lumber Yard
Medical Center, Medical Laboratory – (Medical Building)
Marina
Motel
Museum
Nursing Home
Professional Office
Restaurant
Restaurant, Fast Food
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School
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Utility
Warehouse
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Waste
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Rationale: These changes are mostly housekeeping but there are a few changes that would allow for improved enforcement.

(_) YES (_) NO

QUESTION #9: Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #9** as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend Article 300, Section 301, Table of Uses?

Table of Uses:

	Retail Business and Service	R	LR	RC	RR	RU	RS
2.	*Automotive and Truck Motor Vehicle Dealer*	N	N	E	N	E	N
	Automotive and Truck Motor Vehicle Used Dealer	N	N	E	N	E	N
	Automotive and Truck Junk Motor Vehicle Dealer	N	N	E	N	E	N
	Automotive and Truck Vehicle Washing Facility	N	N	E	E	E	N
	Energy Facility	N	N	N	E	Y	N
8.	*Firewood Processing*	N	N	E	E	E	N
34.	Waste Facility	N	N	N	N	E	N
	Water Extraction Site and Facility	E	E	E	E	E	N

(Majority Vote Required.)

Rationale: The new uses are being proposed in the interest of proper regulation and enforcement.

(_) YES (_) NO

2003 TOWN MEETING DELIBERATIVE SESSION

You are hereby notified to meet at the Alton Central School Gymnasium on Wednesday the twelfth (12th) day of March in the year two thousand and three (2003), beginning at seven o'clock in the evening (7:00 pm), for the purpose of acting upon the following warrant articles:

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ARTICLE 11 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($10,000.00) to be used for planning studies related to a public safety complex to house the police, fire, and rescue departments. **(Recommended by Selectmen) (Budget Committee recommends $2,000.00)**

ARTICLE 12 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($10,000.00) to be added to monies previously appropriated for the reconfiguration of parking and traffic on School Street and Pine Street. **(Recommended by Selectmen) (Not recommended by Budget Committee)**

ARTICLE 13 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($750,000.00) to be added to the Highway Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund previously established; said amount is partially offset by revenues from Highway Block Grant Funds estimated to be $145,896.16. **(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)**

ARTICLE 14 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **EIGHTY SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY-TWO DOLLARS** ($87,742.00) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. **(Recommended by Selectmen) (Budget Committee recommends $20,000.00)**

ARTICLE 15 To see if the Town would construct a sidewalk on the southerly side of Church St. (on the so called Jordan property), said sidewalk to start at the end of the Congregational Church parking lot and end at the cross walk that is already there for approximately 75 feet for approximately $2,000. **(By Petition; This is a Special Article.) (No recommendation by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

ARTICLE 16 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($25,000.00) to be placed in the Benefit Pay Expendable Trust Fund previously established. Said funds are recommended by the Town Auditors to be used to pay for benefits accrued by Town employees and redeemed when they leave employment with the Town of Alton in accordance with the Town Personnel Policy. **(Recommended by Selectmen) (Budget Committee recommends $12,500.00)**

ARTICLE 17 To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Local 534, which calls for actual and estimated increases in each year of the agreement as follows:

2003	$11,231.00
2004	$ 9,090.00
2005	$10,254.00

and further recognizes that the sum of **ELEVEN THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-ONE DOLLARS** ($11,231.00) is included in the operating budget for the current year (2003). **(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)**

ARTICLE 18 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **FOUR MILLION, THREE HUNDRED FORTY FOUR THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY ONE DOLLARS** ($4,344,781.00) to defray anticipated charges arising as part of the Town's operating budget for the current year. Except for monies identified in Article 17, said amount does not include funds for individual or special warrant articles addressed separately. **(Recommended by Selectmen) (Budget Committee recommends $4,297,509.00)**

ARTICLE 19 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($20,000.00) to be placed in the Solid Waste Center Equipment Capital Reserve Fund as previously established. **(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)**

ARTICLE 20 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($75,000.00) for the purpose of closing the septage lagoons on Rines Road and for the disposal of solids at an approved facility. **(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)**

ARTICLE 21 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **FIFTY-FIVE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS** ($55,200.00) in support of the following community organizations:

A. Alton Community Services Program.....$ 7,500.00
B. Community Action Program.....7,401.00
C. VNA-Hospice of Southern Carroll County & Vicinity, Inc..... 9,492.00
D. Youth Services Bureau Court Diversion Program.....13,758.00
E. Lakes Region Community Services Council.....600.00
F. New Beginnings.....1,300.00
G. American Red Cross.....1,397.00
H. Community Health & Hospice.....3,900.00
I. Lakes Region Planning Commission.....5,349.00
J. Genesis Behavioral Health.....4,503.00

(No recommendation by the Selectmen or by the Budget Committee)

ARTICLE 22 To see if the Town will vote to adopt a resolution submitted by Health Care New Hampshire the text of which follows:

Whereas, New Hampshire residents pay the 12th highest cost of insurance in the country; and
Whereas, the cost of health insurance premiums for families has increased by 45% over the past three years; and
Whereas, 100,000 New Hampshire residents have no health coverage and 77% of them have a full-time worker at home; and
Whereas, due to these rising costs almost half of New Hampshire's small business cannot afford coverage for their employees, therefore be it resolved

That we, the citizens of Alton, New Hampshire, call on our elected officials from all levels of government, and those seeking office, to work with consumers, businesses, and health care providers to ensure that:

Everyone, including the self-employed, unemployed, un—and underinsured, and small business owners has access to an affordable basic health plan similar to what federal employees receive;
Everyone, including employers, consumers, and the state, local and federal government makes a responsible and fair contribution to finance the health care system;
Everyone receives high quality care that is cost efficient and medically effective; and
That these efforts help control the skyrocketing cost of health care.

(By Petition.) **(No recommendation by the Selectmen or by the Budget Committee)**

ARTICLE 23 To hear reports of any committees, boards, trustees, commissions, officials, agent or concerned voters; and vote to accept same. Furthermore, to conduct any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

UNDER SEAL OF THE TOWN and given under our hand on this the 18th day of February, 2003, by the Alton Board of Selectmen. ATTEST:

Stephan E. McMahon, Chairman

Donald B. Irvin, Selectman

James C. Washburn, Selectman

William Ryan, Selectman

Patricia Fuller, Selectman

A True Copy Attest:

Date February 19 2003 Alton, NH

Town Clerk

MINUTES OF THE 2003 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 12, 2003 ALTON SCHOOL GYMNASIUM,
ALTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, the voters met at the Alton School Gymnasium on Wednesday, March 12, 2003 at 7 o'clock in the evening to act on the balance of the Warrant Articles. Reverend Peter Bolster offered the invocation. Moderator Mark Northridge called the meeting to order promptly at 7:05p.m. The Moderator led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman McMahon thanked Ruth Messier for her years of service to the Town of Alton and presented her with a plaque. Loring Carr, Vice Chairman of the Budget Committee, presented Ruth with a bouquet of flowers for her many years of service on the Budget Committee. He also presented Laurie Boyce with a bouquet to acknowledge her nine years of work on the Budget Committee. Selectman McMahon further thanked Frances Washburn for her many years of service to the Town and presented her with a plaque and a floral arrangement from the employees at the Town Hall.

Chairman McMahon advised the citizens that due to an error in publication that the Reports of the Town Planner, Code Official and Land Use and Property Record Departments do not appear in the Town Report. A copy of the departmental reports can be viewed and picked up at the Town Hall.

Moderator Northridge thanked the people who volunteered to work at the polls and count the ballots in the evening.

Moderator Northridge introduced the Board of Selectmen, Chairman Stephan E. McMahon, Vice Chairman Donald B. Irvin, James C. Washburn, William Ryan and Patricia M. Fuller, Interim Town Administrator Richard M. Plante, Town Clerk Lisa Waterman, Town Attorney James Sessler and Recording Clerk Christine Whalen. Mr. Northridge introduced the Budget Committee Members, Chairwoman Ruth Messier, Loring Carr, Laurie Boyce, Cydney Johnson, Bradley Smith, Nina Chambers, and Norman Nardello.

The Moderator read the Rules of the Meeting. All votes would be taken by show of cards or by standing count when a vote was in doubt, or a 2/3 vote when required. Articles would be read before acting upon, amendments must be in writing and articles, with all amendments will be read before final action. The Moderator will announce the decision before proceeding to the next article.

A vote was taken to allow non-residents to speak at the meeting. The vote passed unanimously.

ARTICLE 1 To choose all necessary Town Officers for which there are vacancies, for such terms as may be permitted by law; and to elect: one selectman for three years, one town clerk for three years, one tax collector for three years, one treasurer for three years, one trustee of trust funds for three years, one highway agent for three years, one library trustee for three years, one fire ward for three years, one fire ward for one year, one cemetery trustee for three years, one water commissioner for three years, three budget committee members for three years, two budget committee members for two years, one budget committee member for one year, two planning board members for three years, and one supervisor of the checklist for one year.

Moderator Northridge announced the results of Article 1 voted on March 11, 2003 with a count of 891 votes cast.

ARTICLE 2 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **ONE HUNDRED FORTY FOUR THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED THIRTY TWO DOLLARS** ($144, 332.00) to be added to funds already appropriated for the construction, installation and equipping of a new water supply well and to authorize the long-term borrowing of no more than **ONE HUNDRED FORTY FOUR THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED THIRTY TWO DOLLARS** from the State of New Hampshire Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund pursuant to the terms, rules and regulations administered by the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services in accordance with RSA 486:14 and RSA 541-A; provided that repayment of the loan application and the total amount to be repaid shall be borne by water system ratepayers and not by the taxpayers of the Town. **(This is a Special Article. Requires 2/3 Ballot Vote.) (Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)**

Article 2 was moved by Richard Quindley and seconded by Lyndon Avery. Water Superintendent Quindley explained there have been substantial increases from the previous estimate obtained in 1998. They are an additional $10,000 for increased costs over a four-year period, $30,000 for a backup generator, $9,000 for a variable drive system, $50,000 for a clear well for future treatment and an additional $35,000 to $45,000 to cross the river, originally estimated at $5,000. All additional increases are required by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Moderator Northridge opened the polls for a period of one hour. He advised voters that they should use the white tear off on the yellow card they received when they checked in. He further advised that a YES vote would be in favor of the Article and that a NO vote would mean not in favor of the Article. The polls were opened at 7:30p.m. and remained open until 8:30p.m. While the polls remained open, the Moderator allowed the meeting to continue deliberation on the next Articles.

Article 2 passed with a vote of 120 in favor and 14 against.

Selectman Washburn moved to restrict reconsideration, Selectman Irvin seconded and the motion passed. **$144,332.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 3 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **THIRTY TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($32,000.00) to purchase and equip a 4X4 Police Patrol Vehicle. **(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)**

The Article was moved by Selectman Washburn, seconded by Selectman Irvin.

Police Chief Kevin Iwans stated that every year the vehicle management program rotates a vehicle out. This year the 1998 Expedition will rotate out at 85,000+ miles. If approved, the vehicle would stay within the Town to be used by another department.

Dan Lacroix stated that he feels the vehicle is at half-life with 85,000 +/- miles and with an increased preventative maintenance program the police vehicles swap out time could be at 130,000 to 150,000 miles. Chief Iwans stated that it is recommended by the International Association of Police Chiefs and other professional agencies to rotate the vehicles out at 80,000 miles and that they have already exceeded their recommendation. He reminded the voters that the vehicle would be utilized within the Town by another department.

Terri Noyes questioned how many vehicles the Police Department currently has including the amount of 4-wheel drive vehicles. Chief Iwans stated that the department currently has (1) low profile vehicle, (2) high profile vehicles, the Expedition, a K-9 vehicle and an unmarked Chevy Impala.

Selectman Ryan questioned if a smaller vehicle was considered. Chief Iwans stated that the difference between a 4 x 4 and an Expedition is that the Expeditions are not set up for high speed and the 4 x 4's are considerably larger and can hold more equipment.

Discussion ensued on exactly where the old Expedition would be utilized within the Town.

A vote was taken on Article 3 and passed.

Selectwoman Fuller moved to restrict reconsideration, Selectman Washburn seconded and the motion passed. **$32,000.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 4 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **TWENTY-FOUR THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS** ($24,500.00) for the purpose of purchasing and installing an emergency generator at the Police department building. **(Recommended by Selectmen) (Budget Committee recommends $4,700.00)**

Selectwoman Fuller moved to amend Article 4 by reducing the amount to be raised and appropriated by TWELVE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($12,500.00) to the amount of TWELVE THOUSAND DOLLARS ($12,000) for the purpose of purchasing and installing an emergency generator at the Police Department. The amendment was seconded by Selectman Washburn.

Chief Iwans stated that he had requested that the Article be amended as the original estimate was high. He stated that the generator completely died over a year ago and that he did not request this item last year and the Department went without a generator for one year. The reduced cost would be for the outside generator itself and that the additional work would be done through community support and the department.

Budget Committee Chairwoman Ruth Messier stated that the Budget Committee did not have a chance to discuss this Article. She further stated that she could not say that they were recommending the item, but a pole of the members present showed a consensus that this would be the way to go.

A vote was taken on the amendment and passed. A vote was taken on the amended Article 4 and passed.

Selectwoman Fuller moved to restrict reconsideration, Selectman Washburn seconded and the motion passed. **$12,000.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 5 To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of constructing a Sand Shed at the Highway Department: further to vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($10,000.00) to be placed in the Sand Shed Capital Reserve Fund and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. **(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)**

The Article was moved by Selectman Irvin, seconded by Selectman Washburn.

Highway Agent Kenneth Roberts stated that the Town has known about this for one year through an independent audit. The State is requiring the Town to build the sand shed to comply with the Environmental Protection Agency. He further stated that the original estimates came in at $320,000. The Capital Reserve Fund would show the State that the Town is putting the money aside to meet the requirement.

A vote was taken on Article 5 and passed.

Selectwoman Fuller moved to restrict reconsideration, Selectman Irvin seconded and the motion passed. **$10,000.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 6 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS** ($2,800.00) for the purpose of purchasing and installing such equipment as will permit the cable casting of meetings of the Board of Selectmen and other official meetings of Town boards, commissions and committees, by videotape or by live cable cast, on Public Access Cablevision. **(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)**

The Article was moved by Selectman Washburn and seconded by Selectwoman Fuller.

A motion was made by Robert Longabaugh, seconded by Marybee Longabaugh to amend the Article to read: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS** ($2,800.00) for the purpose of purchasing and installing such equipment as will permit the cable casting of meetings of the Board of Selectmen and other official meetings of Town boards, commissions and committees, by videotape or by live cable cast, on Public Access Cablevision; and be it further provided that the passage of this article is a positive and forceful declaration that it is the will of the voters that such videotaping SHALL occur by May 5, 2003, even if it means that this appropriation AND OTHER TOWN MONIES, as necessary, will be spent on personal services, insurance and/or workmans' compensation, and related miscellaneous videotaping expenses, so that the voters and taxpayers of Alton will not be denied the opportunity to view the meetings of the Board of Selectmen either on cablevision or available on videotapes at the Gilman Library.

Robert Longabaugh gave a brief history of the videotaping of the Selectmen's meetings. He explained that for insurance reasons they could not pay to have someone videotape the meetings. The above was presented to the Selectmen and the monies will be used to permanently install the system to record the meetings by a fixed camera.

Loring Carr stated that he was against the Article as all townspeople do not have cable and further that the Amended Article has no cap on the amount of money to be spent for the installation. He further questioned if the Town receives money from the cable company and if so, why that money could not be used for this purpose.

Acting Administrator Richard Plante explained that the money received from the cable company goes into the Town's general fund as revenue and that there is no authority by the Board to use the funds for this purpose and that a special fund would have to be set up.

Selectman Irvin stated that he was in favor of the Article but was not comfortable with the forcefulness of the Amendment. Selectwoman Fuller stated that she believed the meetings should be taped but was concerned about the wording of the Amendment to expend an unlimited amount of money.

A vote was taken on the amendment and failed.

A second motion was made by Robert Longabaugh, seconded by Anna Griffin to amend the Article to read: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS** ($2,800.00) for the purpose of purchasing and installing such equipment as will permit the cable casting of meetings of the Board of Selectmen and other official meetings of Town boards, commissions and committees, by videotape or by live cable cast, on Public Access Cablevision; and be it further provided that the passage of this article is a positive and forceful declaration that it is the will of the voters that such videotaping SHALL occur by May 5, 2003, even if it means that this appropriation will be spent on personal services, insurance and/or workmans' compensation, and related miscellaneous videotaping expenses, so that the voters and taxpayers of Alton will not be denied the opportunity to view the meetings of the Board of Selectmen either on cablevision or available on videotapes at the Gilman Library.

A vote was taken on the second amendment and passed. A vote was taken on the amended Article 6 and passed.

Selectman Irvin moved to restrict reconsideration, Selectwoman Fuller seconded and the motion passed. **$2,800.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 7 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **THREE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($340,000.00) for the purchase of a new fire pumper truck to replace a 1986 rescue vehicle; the sum of **TWO HUNDRED THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($230,000) to be raised from general taxation and the balance to be taken from fire equipment capital reserve account. **(No Recommendation by Selectmen) (Not Recommended by Budget Committee)**

The Article was moved by Fire Chief Russ Sample and seconded by Fire Ward George Murphy.

Fire Chief Sample moved to amend Article 7, seconded by Fire Ward Murphy to read: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a lease purchase agreement for a period of not more than five years for the acquisition of a new fire/rescue pumper at an estimated cost of **THREE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($340,000.00) to replace a 1986 rescue vehicle.

Chief Sample spoke regarding the amended Article explaining that he realized the townspeople's concern about the money being requested. He further stated that this would replace a 1986 vehicle. This piece of equipment will handle a major community incident as it is not only a rescue truck, but has foam fire fighting capabilities. The truck looks like a rescue truck but will have a rear mount pump and will give the department the opportunity to carry rescue equipment, salvage equipment and HAZMAT equipment. One of the ambulances, which was moved to the East Alton Fire Station, will be returned to the Central Fire Station. He stated that the truck would be leased over a 3, 4 or 5 year period. Chief Sample explained that he realized this is a big expenditure but that this equipment is needed and will get the Town through the year 2009. He further explained that if the vehicle is leased the first payment will come out of next years Capital Reserve Fund. Also, the $90,000 down payment will be expended from the pre-established Capital Reserve Fund this year.

There was much concern and discussion regarding the lease, the length and amount of the payments, amount of buy-out and prepayment penalty. Several citizens questioned the current amount held in the Capital Reserve Fund.

The amendment to Article 7 was withdrawn by Chief Sample and seconded by Fire Ward Murphy.

A motion was made by Loring Carr and seconded to pass over the article until later in the meeting. A citizen requested that the Article be taken up at this time and the motion was withdrawn and seconded.

Moderator Northridge subsequently called a brief break at 9:15. The meeting was called back to order at 9:25.

Fire Chief Sample moved to amend Article 7 to read as follows: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **THREE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($340,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing a new fire pumper truck to replace a 1986 rescue vehicle; the sum of **TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($250,000) to be raised from general taxation and the balance of **NINETY THOUSAND DOLLARS ($90,000)** to be taken from the fire equipment capital reserve account previously established.

Loring Carr questioned if the vehicle will be leased. Chief Sample stated no, it will be a purchase.

A vote was taken on the amendment and passed.

A motion was made by Laurie Boyce and seconded by Ruth Messier to Amend the Article to read: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate $250,000 for a fire truck spread over two years $125,000 each year.

Town Attorney Sessler advised that the Amendment could not include appropriations for another year.

A vote was taken on the amendment and failed.

A motion to amend the Article was made by Karl Ingoldsby and seconded by Richard Macdonald to amend the Article to read: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $65,715 to be used for the purchase/lease of a fire/pumper truck to replace a 1986 rescue vehicle.

A vote was taken on the amendment and failed.

A standing vote was taken on the Amended Article 7 and passed with 69 in favor and 50 against.

Selectman McMahon moved to restrict reconsideration, Selectwoman Fuller seconded and the motion passed. **$340,000.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 8 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY SEVEN THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY EIGHT DOLLARS** ($157,478.00) to be added to the Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. **(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)**

The Article was moved by Chief Sample and seconded by Fire Ward Murphy.

Chief Sample spoke on behalf of the Article advising that this money would be added to the Capital Reserve Fund for future equipment purchases with $35,000 to be expended for a breathing air compressor and $14,000 to be expended for a 6-wheel all terrain vehicle.

Cydney Johnson stated that the Budget Committee was not aware that the Article included expenditures to be made when they gave its recommendation.

Ruth Messier stated that the Budget Committee did not realize that money was being expended and thought that the money was being placed in the fund for a future purchase in 2009.

Selectwoman Fuller stated that the Capitol Improvement Committee did disclose the purchase to the Budget Committee. Richard Quindley stated that the expenditure is not in the Warrant Article. Selectwoman Fuller explained that the money should have been taken out and placed in a separate Warrant Article and that it was an honest mistake.

Dan Lacroix questioned the actual amount of money currently held in the Capital Reserve Fund as the Town Report indicates that there is $125,000 in the Reserve Fund.

A motion was made by Laurie Boyce, seconded by Gregory Fuller to Amend Article 8 to read: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($100,000.00) to be added to the Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established.

A vote was taken on the Amendment and passed.

Amended Article 8 passed.

Chief Sample moved to restrict reconsideration, Fire Ward Murphy seconded and the motion passed. **$100,000.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 9 To see if the Town will vote to create a capital reserve account for the installation of an elevator at the Gilman Library and further vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **THIRTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($13,000.00) to be placed in said capital reserve account and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. **(Recommended by Selectmen) (Not Recommended by Budget Committee**)

The Article was moved by Library Trustees Chair Nancy Jordan and seconded by Librarian Holly Brown.

Nancy Jordan spoke on behalf of the Article stating that when the Gilman Library was renovated the shaft was installed, but they ran out of money to put the elevator in and the current handicapped ramps are being used. She stated that if handicapped citizens park in the back of the building they have no way to get upstairs and must go around the outside of the building which becomes a hazard in the winter with the ice. She further stated the elevator would further be used by young mothers pushing baby carriages. She explained that she did not wish to put a heavy burden on the taxpayers so she is requesting $13,000 for the next three years for this expenditure.

Brad Smith stated that the reason the Budget Committee did not recommend this item is that the building is currently handicapped accessible. Discussion ensued.

A vote was taken on Article 9 and passed with 63 in favor and 55 against.

Chairperson Nancy Jordan moved to restrict reconsideration, Richard Macdonald seconded and the motion passed. **$13,000.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 10 To see if the Town will vote to create a capital reserve account for Recreation/Grounds Maintenance Equipment and further vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($10,000.00) to be placed in said account and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. **(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)**

The Article was moved by Parks & Recreation Director Kellie Troendle, seconded by Selectman Irvin.

Kellie Troendle stated that the Parks & Recreation Department is responsible for maintaining all recreation areas in the Town as well as the snow removal from sidewalks. This capital reserve fund is being set up to purchase a tractor in the year 2004 for the purpose of mowing and snow removal.

A vote was taken on Article 10 and passed.

Selectman Washburn moved to restrict reconsideration, Selectwoman Fuller seconded and the motion passed. **$10,000.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 11 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($10,000.00) to be used for planning studies related to a public safety complex to house the police, fire, and rescue departments.**(Recommended by Selectmen)(Budget Committee recommends $2,000.00)**

The Article was moved by Selectwoman Fuller, seconded by Selectman Irvin.

A motion was made by Budget Committee Chairman Messier, seconded by Loring Carr to amend Article 11 to $2,000.

Ruth Messier stated that the Budget Committee is aware that there is a Study Committee and thought that $2,000 should be enough money and that it is premature to expend money for consultants.

Charles Westen stated that the Committee is looking at the long-term safety needs for the future. Input has been solicited from the Police, Fire and EMT's along with the Town Planner for the increasing growth needs of the Town. He further stated that he did not believe that $2,000 would cover the cost of the engineering studies involved in the project.

Discussion as to the need of a public safety building ensued.

A vote was taken on the amendment and passed.

A motion was made by Laurie Boyce and seconded by Charles Westen to increase the Article to $5,000. The amendment of $5,000.00 was voted on and failed.

A vote was taken on Amended Article 11 and passed.

Gregory Fuller moved to restrict reconsideration, Ruth Messier seconded and the motion passed. **$2,000.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 12 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($10,000.00) to be added to monies previously appropriated for the reconfiguration of parking and traffic on School Street and Pine Street. **(Recommended by Selectmen) (Not recommended by Budget Committee)**

The Article was moved by Highway Agent Roberts, seconded by Selectwoman Fuller.

Ken Roberts stated that the Highway Department has been working on this project for a few years and that last year the Town appropriated a certain amount of money but due to litigating problems the project was not completed and the current bids came in higher than expected. The additional expenditure would complete the project this summer.

Loring Carr stated that the Budget Committee did not recommend this as the Budget Committee feels that the one-way street aspect should be tried before any more money is appropriated.

Rev. Peter Bolster stated this is a critical and dangerous situation for the children of our Town that has gone on way too long. This is money well spent and we need to solve this serious problem immediately.

A vote was taken on Article 12 and passed.

Selectwoman Fuller moved to restrict reconsideration, Selectman McMahon seconded and the motion passed. **$10,000.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 13 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($750,000.00) to be added to the Highway Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund previously established; said amount is partially offset by revenues from Highway Block Grant Funds estimated to be $145,896.16. **(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)**

The Article was moved by Highway Agent Roberts, seconded by Selectwoman Fuller.

Highway Agent Roberts stated last year Alton Mountain Road was completed. He further advised the townspeople that the bid for the Old Wolfeboro Road project came in at $1,959,317 which is level funded from last year.

Little discussion ensued.

A vote was taken on Article 13 and passed.

Selectman Washburn moved to restrict reconsideration, Highway Agent Roberts seconded and the motion passed. **$750,000.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 14 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **EIGHTY SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY-TWO DOLLARS** ($87,742.00) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (**Recommended by Selectmen**) **(Budget Committee recommends $20,000.00)**

The Article was moved by Selectman McMahon, seconded by Selectman Ryan.

Highway Agent Roberts stated that this fund was established several years ago and requested that the Town vote this Article down as $350,000 was previously voted on for the Fire Department.

A motion was made by Budget Committee Member Cydney Johnson, seconded by Loring Carr to amend the article to $20,000 to be placed in the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. She further stated that the Budget Committee appreciates the request to vote this Article down but that this fund was previously established to avoid large expenditures in the future.

A vote was taken on the amended article and failed.

A vote was taken on Article 14 and failed.

Highway Agent Roberts moved to restrict reconsideration, seconded by Selectman McMahon and the motion passed. **$87,742.00 FAILED**

ARTICLE 15 To see if the Town would construct a sidewalk on the southerly side of Church St. (on the so called Jordan property), said sidewalk to start at the end of the Congregational Church parking lot and end at the cross walk that is already there for approximately 75 feet for approximately $2,000. **(By Petition; This is a Special Article.) (No recommendation by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

The Article was moved by Nina Day Chambers, seconded by Rev. Peter Bolster.

Rev. Bolster made a motion to amend the Article, seconded by Ruth Messier to read: To see if the Town would construct a sidewalk on the southerly side of Church St. (on the so called Jordan property), said sidewalk to start at the end of the Congregational Church parking lot and end at the cross walk that is already there for approximately 75 feet for approximately $2,000. The $2,000 to be taken from the "Lewis F. Avery Sidewalk Trust Fund."

A vote was taken on the Amendment and passed. Amended Article 15 passed.

A motion was made by Selectwoman Fuller, seconded by Selectman Irvin and the motion passed. **$2,000.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 16 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($25,000.00) to be placed in the Benefit Pay Expendable Trust Fund previously established. Said funds are recommended by the Town Auditors to be used to pay for benefits accrued by Town employees and redeemed when they leave employment with the Town of Alton in accordance with the Town Personnel Policy. (**Recommended by Selectmen**) **(Budget Committee recommends $12,500.00)**

The Article was moved by Selectman Ryan, seconded by Selectman McMahon.

A motion was made by Loring Carr, seconded by Laurie Boyce to amend the Article to $12,500.00.

Selectwoman Fuller stated that this account was previously established so that when long-term employees retire or leave the Town there is money to pay them for the benefits that have been accrued. She further stated that last year $33,000 was paid out to long-term employees and to keep the account in balance that the Selectmen strongly suggest $25,000.

A vote was taken on the amendment and failed.

A vote was taken on the original Article 16 and passed.

Selectman Washburn moved to restrict reconsideration, Selectwoman Fuller seconded and the motion passed. **$25,000.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 17 To see if the Town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Local 534, which calls for actual and estimated increases in each year of the agreement as follows:

2003	$11,231.00
2004	$ 9,090.00
2005	$10,254.00

and further recognizes that the sum of **ELEVEN THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-ONE DOLLARS** ($11,231.00) is included in the operating budget for the current year (2003). **(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)**

The Article was moved by Union President Mark Divito, seconded by Shirley Lane.

Union President Divito explained that this bargaining agreement will put the union employees in line with other town employees.

A vote was taken on Article 17 and passed.

Selectman Washburn moved to restriction reconsideration, Selectman Irvin seconded and the motion passed. **$11,231.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 18 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **FOUR MILLION, THREE HUNDRED FORTY FOUR THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY ONE DOLLARS** ($4,344,781.00) to defray anticipated charges arising as part of the Town's operating budget for the current year. Except for monies identified in Article 17, said amount does not include funds for individual or special warrant articles addressed separately. (**Recommended by Selectmen**) **(Budget Committee recommends $4,297,509.00)**

The Article was moved by Selectman McMahon and seconded by Selectman Ryan.

Selectwoman Fuller made a motion to Amend Article 18, seconded by Selectman Washburn to amend the article as follows: To amend Article 18 by increasing the amount to be raised and appropriated by TWENTY NINE THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY FOUR DOLLARS ($29,454.00) for the purpose of offsetting anticipated legal expenses associated with the termination of Pam Arnold, Town Administrator, Fire Department salaries, and a new printer for the Tax Collector's office.

Selectman McMahon explained that the increase is allocated as $2,954.00 in office wages for the Fire Department salaries, $25,000 for anticipated legal fees resulting from the termination of Pam Arnold, former Town Administrator and $1,500 for a new printer for the Tax Collector to print tax bills. He further advised that if the Amended Article is voted that the new bottom line would be $4,374,235.00.

A vote was taken on the amendment and passed.

A motion was made by Budget Committee Chairwoman Messier, seconded by Loring Carr to amend Article 18 to $4,325,509.

Highway Agent Roberts questioned the accounts cut in his budget, stating that he works hard to try to save the Town a lot of money, and disagreed with the cuts. Mark Divito and Shirley Lane spoke against the amendment. Paulette Wentworth spoke on behalf of the increase to the Fire Department salaries and the new printer for the Tax Collector.

A vote was taken on the amended article and failed.

A motion was made by Library Trustee Nancy Jordan and seconded by Mark Divito to amend Article 18 by increasing the amount to be raised and appropriated by ONE THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY SIX DOLLARS ($1,896.00) to fully fund salaries in the library account.

Nancy Jordan spoke on behalf of the Amendment stating that the increase in salary would put the salaries in line with other Town employees and requested that the citizens vote for the increase.

A vote was taken on the amendment and passed with 42 in favor and 40 against.

A vote was then taken on the Amended Article to read as follows: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **FOUR MILLION, THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY SIX THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY ONE DOLLARS** ($4,376,131.00) to defray anticipated charges arising as part of the Town's operating budget for the current year. Except for monies identified in Article 17, said amount does not include funds for individual or special warrant articles addressed separately.

A vote was taken on the amended Article 18 and passed.

Selectman McMahon moved to restrict reconsideration, Selectman Washburn seconded and the motion passed. **$4,376,131.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 19 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($20,000.00) to be placed in the Solid Waste Center Equipment Capital Reserve Fund as previously established. **(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)**

The Article was moved by Selectman Irvin, seconded by Selectman Washburn.

Selectman Irvin spoke on behalf of the Article. There was no discussion on the Article, a vote was taken and Article 19 passed.

Selectwoman Fuller moved to restrict reconsideration, seconded by Selectman Washburn and the motion passed. **$20,000.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 20 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS** ($75,000.00) for the purpose of closing the septage lagoons on Rines Road and for the disposal of solids at an approved facility. **(Recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee)**

Selectman Washburn moved Article 20, seconded by Selectwoman Fuller.

Selectman McMahon spoke on behalf of the Article stating that the State has mandated that the Rines Road facility be closed. He further stated that $75,000 will not complete the job but will show the State a good faith effort on behalf of the Town.

There was no discussion on the Article, a vote was taken and Article 20 passed.

Selectman McMahon moved to restrict reconsideration, Selectman Irvin seconded and the motion passed. **$75,000.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 21 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **FIFTY-FIVE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS** ($55,200.00) in support of the following community organizations:

A. Alton Community Services Program.....$ 7,500.00
B. Community Action Program 7,401.00
C. VNA-Hospice of Southern Carroll County & Vicinity, Inc..... 9,492.00
D. Youth Services Bureau Court Diversion Program 13,758.00
E. Lakes Region Community Services Council. 600.00
F. New Beginnings... .....1,300.00
G. American Red Cross.....1,397.00
H. Community Health & Hospice.....3,900.00
I. Lakes Region Planning Commission.....5,349.00
J. Genesis Behavioral Health..... ..4,503.00

(No recommendation by the Selectmen or by the Budget Committee)

The Article was moved by Alice Calvert, seconded by Patricia Rockwood.

Alice Calvert spoke on behalf of VNA-Hospice and Community Health and Hospice, Karen Alden spoke on behalf of Alton Community Services, Rev. Peter Bolster spoke on behalf of Genesis Behavioral Health, Laurie Boyce and Holly Dewald spoke on behalf of the Youth Services Bureau Court Diversion Program. All representatives requested the support of the citizens.

A vote was taken on Article 21 and passed.

Selectman Washburn moved to restrict reconsideration, Selectwoman Fuller seconded and the motion passed. **$55,200.00 PASSED**

ARTICLE 22 To see if the Town will vote to adopt a resolution submitted by Health Care New Hampshire the text of which follows:

Whereas, New Hampshire residents pay the 12th highest cost of insurance in the country; and
Whereas, the cost of health insurance premiums for families has increased by 45% over the past three years; and
Whereas, 100,000 New Hampshire residents have no health coverage and 77% of them have a full-time worker at home; and
Whereas, due to these rising costs almost half of New Hampshire's small business cannot afford coverage for their employees, therefore be it resolved

That we, the citizens of Alton, New Hampshire, call on our elected officials from all levels of government, and those seeking office, to work with consumers, businesses, and health care providers to ensure that:

> **Everyone, including the self-employed, unemployed, un—and underinsured, and small business owners has access to an affordable basic health plan similar to what federal employees receive;**
> **Everyone, including employers, consumers, and the state, local and federal government makes a responsible and fair contribution to finance the health care system;**
> **Everyone receives high quality care that is cost efficient and medically effective; and**
> **That these efforts help control the skyrocketing cost of health care.**

(By Petition.) (No recommendation by the Selectmen or by the Budget Committee)

The Article was moved by Ken Roberts, seconded by David Moore.

David Moore, not a resident of Alton, spoke on behalf of the Article. State Senator Robert Boyce and State Representative Mike Whalley spoke against the Article.

A vote was taken on Article 22 and failed.

Selectman Washburn moved to restrict reconsideration, Selectman McMahon seconded and the motion passed. **FAILED**

ARTICLE 23 To hear reports of any committees, boards, trustees, commissions, officials, agent or concerned voters; and vote to accept same. Furthermore, to conduct any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The Article was moved by Selectman McMahon, seconded by Selectman Ryan.

A motion was made by Ruth Messier, seconded by Selectman McMahon to approve the Alton Annual 2002 Town Report to include the correct Warrant Articles. (see attached)

A vote was taken on the Article and passed.

Ruth Messier further read a prepared statement thanking the Board of Selectmen's Representative for showing that the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee can work together to accomplish town goals.

Selectman McMahon moved to restrict reconsideration, seconded by Selectman Washburn and the motion passed. **PASSED**

A motion to adjourn was made by Selectman McMahon, seconded by Selectman Washburn and the motion passed.

The Annual Town Meeting of Alton adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Whalen

Christine Whalen, Clerk

Lisa Waterman

"A True Copy Attest"
Lisa Waterman, Town Clerk

A True Copy Attest:

Date April 3, 2003 Alton, NH

Lisa Waterman

Town Clerk

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Alton
Alton, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Alton, New Hampshire as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002 as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Alton has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Alton as of December 31, 2002, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Alton taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed as schedules in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Alton. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Plodzik & Sanderson
Professional Association

April 10, 2003

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

The responsibility of the Tax Collector is to collect revenue for property tax, yield tax, excavation and gravel tax and current use penalty. A format for record keeping is set by the Department of Revenue Administration. A report is submitted to the Town Treasurer on a weekly basis for all revenues collected and refunded.

The office also administers the process of liening and deeding properties to the Town. We handle inquiries from banks, mortgage companies, attorney's offices and the public.

Workshops and annual conferences, sponsored by the New Hampshire Tax Collectors Association and the Department of Revenue Administration, allow the Tax Collector to learn the tax collecting process and stay current with any changes in procedures and law. Attending such conferences, classes and workshops is important, not only for learning about changes in laws and procedures, but also for networking with collectors from other towns, who then become part of our support system.

Marie Price, Deputy Tax Collector and I will be happy to answer any questions, please do not hesitate to call or come in and see us.

It is a pleasure to serve the people of Alton as your Tax collector.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Kroeger
Tax Collector

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF ALTON YEAR ENDING 12/31/2003

DEBITS	LEVY FOR YEAR OF THIS REPORT	PRIOR LEVIES	
UNCOLLECTED TAXES		2002	2001
BEG. OF YEAR:			
Property Taxes		4070745.97	7756.64
Land Use Change		17275.00	
Yield Taxes		2488.65	
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR:			
Property Taxes	13910443.31	2837.84	
Land Use Change	375370.00		
Yield Taxes	61622.40		
Excavation Tax	692.20		
OVERPAYMENT:			
Property Tax	38160.63	30052.56	
Interest & Penalties	13927.63	47284.76	1404.23
TOTAL DEBITS	14400216.17	4170684.78	9160.87

CREDITS			
REMITTED TO TREASURER:			
Property Taxes	13046562.86	4071849.13	7756.64
Land Use Change	328792.19	17275.00	
Yield Taxes	49252.15	2488.65	
Interest and Penalties	13927.63	47284.76	1404.23
Excavation Tax	692.20		
ABATEMENTS MADE:			
Property Taxes	2850.71	31787.24	
Land Use Change	37278.00		
UNCOLLECTED TAXES END OF YEAR			
Property Taxes	899190.37		
Land Use Change	9299.81		
Yield Taxes	12370.25		
TOTAL CREDITS	14400216.17	4170684.78	9160.87

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
FOR MUNICIPALITY OF ALTON YEAR ENDING 12/31/2003

DEBITS	LAST YEAR'S LEVY	PRIOR LEVIES		
	2002	2001	2000	1999
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year	.00	111176.15	35363.97	13848.66
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	190354.05			
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	3303.90	8403.80	7774.16	652.11
TOTAL DEBITS	193657.95	119579.95	43138.13	14500.77

CREDITS	LAST YEAR'S LEVY	PRIOR LEVIES		
	2002	2001	2000	1999
Redemptions	102918.03	84917.38	28896.73	4247.01
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	3303.90	8403.80	7774.16	652.11
Abatements	47.24	200.91		
Unredeemed Liens Balance At End of Year	87388.78	26057.86	6467.24	9601.65
TOTAL CREDITS	193657.95	119579.95	43138.13	14500.77

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA:15-a)? YES

Tax Collector's Signature Anne Kroeger Date 1-7-04

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

Opening Balance January 1, 2003	$ 1,687, 384.37
Building Permits	75,528.10
State Grants	331,243.52
Land Use Property	34,802.05
Town Office	62.25
Water Department	402,512.99
Board of Adjustment	2,440.00
Police Department	65,632.63
Transfer Station	80,325.89
Rental Town Property	12,376.05
Reimbursements	941,995.97
Miscellaneous	78,882.25
Boat Taxes	53,462.86
Permits	1,610.00
Ambulance	52,575.95
Fire	165.00
Interest	44,461.62
Town Clerk	903,253.66
Tax Collector	17,828,398.56
Auditors Adjustment	2,497.43
TOTAL INCOME ADDED	22,599,611.15
LESS SELECTMEN'S ORDERS PAID	16,863,555.54
Balance as of December 31, 2003	5,736,055.61

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNT ACTIVITY

RECREATION REVOLVING FUND	
Balance 12//31/02	27,186.16
Deposits	15,507.45
Withdrawals	34,199.96
Interest Earned	229.65
Balance 12/31//03	8,723.30

PLANNING BOARD	
Balance 12/31/02	15,051.31
Deposits	10,617.00
Withdrawals	7,849.37
Service Charges	76.00
Interest Earned	186.08
Balance 12/31/03	17,929.02
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	
Balance 12/31/02	53,132.84
Deposits	10,000.00
Interest Earned	699.52
Balance 12/31/03	63,832.36
RETAINER FEES	
Balance 12/31/02	1,748.62
Interest Earned	13.32
Balance 12/31/03	1,761.94
OLD HOME WEEK	
Balance 12/31/02	520.23
Interest Earned	3.98
Balance 12/31//03	524.21
MICHAEL BURKE MEMORIAL FUND	
Balance 12/31/02	1,663.28
Interest Earned	12.68
Balance 12/31/03	1,675.96
FOREST FUND	
Balance 12/31/02	8,104.69
Interest Earned	61.73
Balance 12/31/03	8,166.42
CONCERT FUND	
Balance 12/31/02	1,487.51
Withdrawals	1,400.00
Interest Earned	6.71
Balance 12/31/03	94.22
RAILROAD SQUARE	
Balance 12/31/02	3,091.26
Interest Earned	23.55
Balance 12/31/03	3,114.81

OPERATION BLESSINGS	
Balance 12/31/02	3,343.37
Deposits	1,305.23
Withdrawals	1,700.00
Interest Earned	24.20
Balance 12/31/03	2,972.80
PAUL J. GONTARZ	
Balance 12/31/02	14,556.51
Interest Earned	110.30
Balance 12/31/03	14,666.81
STEPHEN SHELDON	
Balance 12/31/02	3,382.20
Interest Earned	25.65
Balance 12/31/03	3,407.85
MARY ANN RYAN	
Balance 12/31/02	1,014.66
Interest Earned	7.69
Balance 12/31/03	1,022.35
KEITH A. ROBINSON	
Balance 12/31/02	1,257.83
Interest Earned	9.54
Balance 12/31/03	1,267.37
JOHN W. JEDDREY, JR.	
Balance 12/31/02	2,577.56
Interest Earned	19.53
Balance 12/31/03	2,597.09
WALTER GARLAND ESCROW ACCOUNT	
Balance 12/31/02	0.00
Deposits	10,000.00
Interest Earned	8.63
Balance 12/31/03	10,008.63
TOWN OF ALTON ROAD BONDS	
Balance 12/31/02	13,313.92
Deposits	30,840.00
Withdrawals	15,996.38
Interest Earned	219.93
Balance 12/31/03	28,377.47

MS-9 Summary Report of The Trust Funds of the Town of Alton, New Hampshire on: DEC. 31, 2003

	PRINCIPAL					Income					
							Income During Year				
Page #	Balance Baginning Year	New Funds Created	Cash Gains or (Losses) Securities	With drawals	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Amount	Expended During Year	Balance End Year	Grand Total of Principal & Income End of Year	Running Page Total
1	$12,844 14	$0.00	$0 00	$0.00	$12,844 14	$12,724 24	$460 16	$4,000.00	$13,184.40	$26,028 54	$26,028 54
2	$8,982 54	$0 00	$0.00	$0.00	$8,982 54	$11,930 61	$369 97	$2,000 00	$10,300.58	$19,283 12	$45,311.66
3	$10,805 38	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$10,805.38	$19,893 84	$552 51	$4,500.00	$15,946.35	$26,751 73	$72,063 39
4	$12,130 57	$0 00	$0.00	$0 00	$12,130 57	$23,156 23	$635.07	$2,000 00	$21,791.30	$33,921 87	$105,985 26
5	$10,193 76	$0.00	$0.00	$0 00	$10,193.76	$12,962 93	$416 76	$2,000 00	$12,149.11	$22,342.87	$128,328 13
6	$8,970 51	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$8,970 51	$9,318 80	$329 16	$1,000.00	$8,624 31	$17,594 82	$145,922 95
7	$11,213 13	$0 00	$0.00	$0.00	$11,213 13	$17,049 32	$508 65	$3,000.00	$14,557.97	$25,771 10	$171,694 05
8	$26,296 88	$0 00	$0 00	$0.00	$26,296 88	$30,876 68	$1,028 97	$11,500.00	$20,405.65	$46,702 53	$218,396 59
9	$12,640 26	$0 00	$0 00	$0.00	$12,640.26	$16,971 43	$532 93	$0.00	$17,504.36	$30,144 62	$248,541 21
10	$10,193 76	$0 00	$0 00	$0.00	$10,193 76	$16,252 75	$482 32	$2,500 00	$14,235.07	$24,428.83	$272,970.04
11	$30,206 15	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00	$30,206.15	$53,713 45	$1,510 33	$10,745 12	$44,478.66	$74,684 81	$347,654 86
12	$8,766 63	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$8,766 63	$7,438 25	$291.65	$0.00	$7,729.90	$16,496.53	$364,151.38
13	$11,417.01	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$11,417.01	$15,477.72	$484 03	$0 00	$15,961.75	$27,378.76	$391,530.15
14	$11,213.13	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$11,213 13	$15,191 79	$475 22	$0.00	$15,667.01	$26,880.14	$418,410 29
15	$11,539 33	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$11,539 33	$10,656 66	$399.47	$0 00	$11,056.13	$22,595 46	$441,005.75
16	$9,989 88	$0 00	$0.00	$0.00	$9,989.88	$11,667 65	$389.78	$0.00	$12,057 43	$22,047 31	$463,053 05
17	$11,417.01	$0.00	$0 00	$0.00	$11.417.01	$9,642 88	$379.02	$0.00	$10,021 90	$21,438 91	$484,491 97
18	$10,295.70	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00	$10,295.70	$12,531 91	$410.84	$0.00	$12,942.75	$23,238.45	$507,730 42
19	$13,149 95	$0.00	$0.00	$0 00	$13,149 95	$19,644 85	$590 22	$0 00	$20,235 07	$33,385.02	$541,115 44
20	$12,966 46	$0.00	$0.00	$0 00	$12,966 46	$18,627 94	$568 62	$0.00	$19,196.56	$32,163.02	$573,278 45
21	$7,489 40	$0 00	$0 00	$0.00	$7,489 40	$6,981.80	$260 44	$0 00	$7,242.24	$14,731 64	$588,010 10
22	$13,455 76	$0 00	$0.00	$0 00	$13,455.76	$7,450 16	$376 25	$0 00	$7,826 41	$21,282 17	$609,292.27
23	$11,009 26	$0 00	$0.00	$0.00	$11,009 26	$5,125.61	$290 39	$0.00	$5,416.00	$16,425 26	$625,717.52
24	$12,334 45	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$12,334 45	$6,273.11	$334 89	$0.00	$6,608.00	$18,942 45	$644,659 97
25	$12,028 64	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$12,028.64	$6,188 32	$327 86	$0 00	$6,516 18	$18,544 82	$663,204 79
26	$17,819 11	$0.00	$0 00	$0.00	$17,819.11	$7,819 90	$461 44	$0 00	$8,281.34	$26,100 45	$689,305 23
27	$230,526 61	$0 00	$0 00	$0.00	$230,526.61	$161,161.64	$7,049 43	$43,854 24	$124,356.83	$354,883 44	$1,044,188 68
28	$1,421,124 81	$513,463 03	$0.00	$321,605 40	$1,612,982.44	$10,236 38	$102,770 68	$51,822.40	$52,309 66	$1,665,292 10	$2,709,480 78
29	$174,900 06	$63,448 95	$0.00	$86,484.85	$151,864 16	$3,409 52	$1,866.17	$340 85	$4,934 84	$156,799 00	$2,866,279.78
30	$805,564 51	$928,000.00	$0.00	$679,274 46	$1,054,290 05	$79,556 47	$7,909.80	$23,641.26	$63,825.01	$1,118,115 06	$3,984,394 84
31	$436,289 67	$75,500.00	$0 00	$160,000 00	$351,789.67	$72,875.79	$4,605.03	$10,903 28	$66,577 54	$418,367 21	$4,402,762 05
Totals	$3,397,774 46	$1,580,411.98	$0 00	$1,247,364 71	$3,730,821.73	$712,808 63	$137,068 07	$173,807 15	$671,940 32	$4,402,762 05	

Lines #1 through #26 are Cemete ry Perpetual Ca re and may be viewed at the Town Secretary's Office in the Alton Town Hall during normal office hours

Report o' The Common Trust Fund Investments of Town of Alton, New Hampshire Dec. 31, 2003

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How Invested		PRINCIPAL						Income				
			Additions									
# of Shares or Other Units	Description of Investment	Balance Beginning Year	Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds From Sales	Losses From Sales	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year	Grand Total of Principal & Income End of Year
#712-320-7	Checking acct. Changed to NOW acct. July 2000 Checking Acct.,Bank Of NH	$15,181.07	1452643 84			1457710 46	$10,094 45				$0 00	$10,094 45
2942.787 Shs	Interest Transferred to Ck. Acct #712-320-7 I D.S. Selective Fund(Mutuel Fd.)	$33,006 50					$33,006 50	$0 00	$768 03	$768.03	$0 00	$33,006 50
10/31/04	12/31/99-6 1/8% Int Trans To #799-306-8 2yr. U.S. Treas. Note 12/31/01 #912827E1	$337,000.00					$337,000 00	$0.00	$10,952.50	$10,952 50	$0 00	$337,000.00
	10/31/97-5 3/4%, Int. Trans To #799-396-8 U.S Treas. Note #912828AM2 2 1/8% '04	$100,000.00					$100,000.00	$0.00	$2,125.00	$2,125.00	$0 00	$100,000 00
	Bank Of NH #799-306-8	$266,928.58	$252,894 77			$73,886.75	$445,938 60	$0 00	$16,586.10		$16,586.10	$462,522.70
C/D	Granite Bank -transferred to Laconia Savs. Bk						$0 00	$0.00			$0.00	$0.00
#4862	closed out-trans to Laconia Savs. Bk.	$96,631.34					$96,631 34	0 00%	$4,933 69		$4,933 69	$101,565.03
2/14/03							$0 00	$0.00				$0.00
							$0.00					$0 00
												$0 00
2/5/04												
							$0 00				$0 00	$0.00
							$0.00				$0.00	$0 00
							$0 00				$0.00	$0.00
							$0 00				$0 00	$0.00
							$0 00				$0 00	$0 00
							$0.00				$0 00	$0 00
							$0 00				$0 00	$0 00
							$0 00				$0 00	$0 00
							$0 00				$0 00	$0 00
							$0 00	$0.00			$0 00	$0 00
		$848,727.49	$1,705,538.61	$0.00	$0.00	$1,531,597 21	$1,022,668 89	$0.00	$35,365 32	$13,845 53	$21,519 79	$1,044,188 68

					PRINCIPAL					Income					
											Income During Year				
Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	%	Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Cash Gains or (Losses) Securities	With drawals	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Percent	Amount	Expendad During Year	Balance End Year	Grand Total of Principal & Income End of Year
					$311,549 69	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00	$311,549 69	$377,748 93		$12,405 52	$43,245 12	$351,655 10	$663,204 79
10/2/89	Sally Newhall Berbarossa	Cemetery Care	Common Trust #1		$1,019 38				$1,019 38	$491 46	1 7997%	$27 19		$518 65	$1,538 03
3/27/89	Leopold & Anna Boelzner	Cemetery Care	Common Trust #1		$1,019 38				$1,019 38	$491 46	1 7997%	$27 19		$518 65	$1,538 03
9/11/88	Russell Clark by W Nichols	Cemetery Care	Common Trust #1		$509 69				$509 69	$169 83	1 7997%	$12 23		$182 06	$691 75
2/27/89	Rolf & Lizelotte Dutzmann	Cemetery Care	Common Trust #1		$1,019 38				$1,019 38	$491 46	1 7997%	$27 19		$518 65	$1,538 03
5/29/89	Nella & Edward Gustafson	Cemetery Care	Common Trust #1		$1,019 38				$1,019 38	$491 46	1 7997%	$27 19		$518 65	$1,538 03
9/11/89	Dr Kemel Hassan	Cemetery Care	Common Trust #1		$509 69				$509 69	$169 84	1 7997%	$12 23		$182 07	$691 76
10/16/89	George A & Emma Huseby	Cemetery Care	Common Trust #1		$509 69				$509 69	$169 82	1 7997%	$12 23		$182 05	$691 74
1/18/89	Russell E & Gwendolyn Jones	Cemetery Cere	Common Trust #1		$917 44				$917 44	$402 61	1 7997%	$23 76		$426 37	$1,343 81
7/3/89	Cameron Kirkpatrick	Cemetery Care	Common Trust #1		$2,446 50				$2,446 50	$1,219 29	1 7997%	$65 97		$1,285 26	$3,731 76
10/16/89	Alton & Jean Leblanc	Cemetery Care	Common Trust #1		$1,019 37				$1,019 37	$491 44	1 7997%	$27 19		$518 63	$1,538 00
5/1/89	John A & John A , Jr. McManus	Cemetery Care	Common Trust #1		$1,019 36				$1,019 36	$491 43	1 7997%	$27 19		$518 62	$1,537 98
5/1/89	Kathleen Moore	Cemetery Care	Common Trust #1		$2,038 75				$2,038 75	$863 96	1 7997%	$52 24		$916 20	$2,954 95
6/19/89	Richard F Moore, Jr	Cemetery Care	Common Trust #1		$509 69				$509 69	$189 82	1 7997%	$12 23		$182 05	$691 74
9/11/89	Pauline Tilton	Cemetery Care	Common Trust #1		$509 69				$509 69	$169 82	1 7997%	$12 23		$182 05	$691 74
8/14/89	Lester T & Barbara C Walker	Cemetery Care	Common Trust #1		$509 69				$509 69	$169 83	1 7997%	$12 23		$182 06	$691 75
7/17/89	Philip Wentworth	Cemetery Care	Common Trust #1		$2,038 75				$2,038 75	$863 96	1 7997%	$52 24		$916 20	$2,954 95
7/3/89	Harvey L Woodman	Cemetery Care	Common Trust #1		$611 62				$611 62	$258.72	1 7997%	$15 66		$274 38	$886 00
8/27/96	Est Of Ida M Whipple	Cemetery Care	Common Trust #1		$591 66				$591 66	$243 69	1 7997%	$15 03		$258 72	$850 38
									$0 00	$0 00	1 7997%	$0 00		$0 00	$0 00
									$0 00	$0 00	1 7997%	$0 00		$0 00	$0 00
									$0 00	$0 00	1 7997%	$0 00		$0 00	$0.00
									$0 00	$0 00	1.7997%	$0 00		$0 00	$0 00
			Page Totals >>>>		$17,819 11	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00	$17,819 11	$7,819 90		$461 44	$0 00	$8,281 34	$26,100 45
			Cum Pg Totals >		$329,368 80	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00	$329,368 80	$385,568 83		$12,866 95	$43,245 12	$359,936 43	$689 305 23

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	%	PRINCIPAL Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Cash Gains or (Losses) Securities	Withdrawals	Balance End Year	Income Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year Percent	Income During Year Amount	Expended During Year	Balance End Year	Grand Total of Principal & Income End of Year
					$329,368 80	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00	$329,368 80	$385,568 83		$12,866 95	$43,245 12	$359,936 43	$689,305 23
6/4/04	Eveline L Palmer	Library Book Fd	Common Trust #1		$2,079 53				$2,079 53	$565 28	1 7997%	$47 60		$612 88	$2,692 41
2/27/28	Oliver J M Gilman	Library Book Fd	Common Trust #1		$8 155 01				$8,155 01	$1,473 23	1 7997%	$173 28	$1,000 00	$646 51	$8 801 52
1/16/73	Annie A Wheeler by Agnes M Thompson	Library Fd	Common Trust #1		$10,193 76				$10,193 76	$1,879 81	1 7997%	$217 38	$1,000 00	$1 097 19	$11,290 95
10/30/66	Ralph M Jardine Mem Fund	Scholarship	Common Trust #1		$2,898 94				$2,898 94	$3,052 28	1 7997%	$107 11	$200 00	$2,959 39	$5,858 33
2/24/28	Oliver J M Gilman	Lyceum Fund	Common Trust #1		$20,387 52				$20,387 52	$8,482 71	1 7997%	$519 58	$1,700 00	$7,302 29	$27,689 81
5/2/36	Lewis E Avery	Sidewalk Fund	Common Trust #1		$4,077 50				$4,077 50	$4,689 11	1 7997%	$157 78	$2,000 00	$2,846 89	$6 924 39
11/2/68	Frank M & Stella Ayer	Sidewalk Fund	Common Trust #1		$4,077 50				$4,077 50	$3,520 29	1 7997%	$136 74	$0 00	$3,657 03	$7 734 53
5/2/36	Edwin F Cate	Highway Fund	Common Trust #1		$20,387 52				$20,387 52	$21,717 98	1 7997%	$757 79	$0 00	$22,475 77	$42,863 29
8/26/69	William C Levey	Levy Park Fd	Common Trust #1		$2,627 71				$2,627 71	$3,971 30	1 7997%	$118 76	$1,788 00	$2,302 06	$4,929 77
4/30/69	Harold S Gilman - Gilman Museu	Museum Fund	Common Trust #1		$155,641 62				$155,641 62	$111,809 65	1 7997%	$4,813 42	$36,166 24	$80,456 83	$236,098 45
									$0 00		1 7997%	$0 00		$0 00	$0 00
									$0 00		1 7997%	$0 00		$0 00	$0 00
									$0 00		1 7997%	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00
									$0 00		1 7997%	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00
									$0 00		1 7997%	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00
									$0 00		1 7997%	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00
									$0 00		1 7997%	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00
									$0 00		1 7997%	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00
									$0 00		1 7997%	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00
									$0 00		1 7997%	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00	$0 00
									$0 00			$0 00		$0 00	$0 00
											1 7997%	$0 00		$0 00	$0 00
			Page Totals >>>>		$230,526 61	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$230,526 61	$161,161 64		$7,049 43	$43,854 24	$124,356 83	$354,883 44
			Cum Pg Totals >		$559,895 41	$0.00	$0 00	$0 00	$559,895 41	$546,730 47		$19,916 39	$87,099 36	$484,293 27	$1 044 188 68

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	%	PRINCIPAL Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Cash Gains or (Losses) Securities	Withdrawals	Balance End Year	Income Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year Percent	Income During Year Amount	Expended During Year	Balance End Year	Grand Total of Principal & Income End of Year
	ESTATES & OTHER TRUSTS				$559,895.41	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$559,895.41	$546,730.47		$19,916.39	$87,099.36	$484,293.27	$1,044,188.68
9/30/00	T-Note #912828AL4 9/30/04 Clough-Morrell Trust	Town Hall Impr	Govt. Securities 1 7/8%		$115,000.00				$115,000.00	$0.00	0.0000%	$3,250.00	$3,250.00	$0.00	$115,000.00
6/30/99	T-Note #912828AR1 12/31/04 Clough-Morrell Trust	" " "	" " 1 3/4%		$100,000.00				$100,000.00	$0.00	0.0000%	$1,750.00	$1,750.00	$0.00	$100,000.00
6/30/01	T-Note #9128276ZO-6/30/03 Clough-Morrell Trust	" " " "	" " 3 7/8%		$100,000.00			$100,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.0000%	$1,937.50	$1,937.50	$0.00	$0.00
12/31/98	T-N#9128277H9 12/31/03 Clough-Morrell Trust	" " " " " " " "	" " 3 1/4%		$100,000.00			$100,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.0000%	$3,250.00	$3,250.00	$0.00	$0.00
6/30/03	T-Note #912828BC3 6/30/05 Clough-Morrell Trust 1 1/8%	" " " "				$100,000.00			$100,000.00	$0.00	0.0000%	$668.50	$668.50	$0.00	$100,000.00
5/31/99	T-Note #912828BB5 1 1/4% Clough-Morrell Trust BB5 5/31/0	" " " "	" " "			$100,000.00			$100,000.00	$0.00	0.0000%	$3,250.00		$0.00	$100,000.00
5/31/01	T-Note #9128272Y3 5/31/03 Clough-Morrell Trust	Town Hall Imprv.	" " 4 1/4%		$100,000.00			$100,000.00	$0.00	$0.00	0.0000%	$4,251.69	$4,251.69	$0.00	$0.00
12/31/03	T-Note #912828BU3 12/31/05 Clough-Morrell Trust 1 7/8%	" " "	" "			$100,000.00			$100,000.00	$0.00	0.0000%			$0.00	$100,000.00
		" " "							$0.00	$0.00	0.0000%	$5,625.00		$0.00	$0.00
12/31/00	C/D #9730148403 Various Rates Clough-Morrell Trust	" " "	Bank NH		$195,017.27				$195,017.27		0.0000%	$17,998.93	$1,443.40	$16,555.53	$211,572.80
1/0/00	C/D#903-4450-1/20/04 A.W. Heidke Fund	Assist Elderly	Providien Bank 5.65%		$100,000.00				$100,000.00	$0.00	0.0000%	$5,662.89	$5,662.89	$0.00	$100,000.00
		Assist Elderly	Int. to 9730148403						$0.00	$0.00		$8,250.00	$8,250.00	$0.00	$0.00
8/15/00	A.W.Heidke Fund	" "	4.38%		$200,000.00				$200,000.00	$0.00		$12,750.00	$12,750.00	$0.00	$200,000.00
9/20/99	T-Note #912828AJ9 8/15/12 A.W. Heidke Fund	" "	Int. to #9730148403						$0.00	$0.00				$0.00	$0.00
10/4/01	Profile Bank C/D #11483 A.W. Heidke Fund	" "	Int. to #9730148403 Profile Bank #01-440114		$100,000.00				$100,000.00		0.0000%	$4,449.94	$4,449.94	$0.00	$100,000.00
10/4/01	C/D #8320 10/4/04 A.W. Heidke Fund	" "	Int. to #9730148403 Citizens Bank		$100,000.00				$100,000.00		0.0000%	$4,658.48	$4,658.48	$0.00	$100,000.00
10/6/98	Repo to 9730148403 A.W. Heidke Fund	" " " "	Int. to 9730148403-		$199,107.54	$176,311.84		$21,605.40	$353,813.98		0.0000%	$28,296.23		$26,296.23	$380,110.21
	Donations to Heidke Fund I Memory of Christine C. Russell II		9730148403						$0.00	$0.00	0.0000%	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
12/31/00	C/D #9730148403 Various Rates A.W. Heidke Fund	" "	Bank NH						$0.00	$0.00	0.0000%			$0.00	$0.00
9/28/99	C/D #9730148403 Various Rates W.B. Messer Trust	Scholership	423.24 loss of Int.			$37,151.19			$37,151.19	$3,868.80	0.0000%	$492.58	$1,500.00	$2,861.38	$40,012.57
8/21/00	C/D #9730148403 Various Rates Knights Pond Road	Maintain Road	Bank NH		$12,000.00				$12,000.00	$8,367.58	0.0000%	$228.94		$6,596.52	$0.00 $18,596.52
									$0.00		0.0000%			$0.00	$0.00
			Page Totals >>>>		$1,421,124.81	$513,463.03	$0.00	$321,605.40	$1,612,982.44	$10,236.38		$102,770.68	$51,822.40	$52,309.66	$1,665,292.10
			Cum Pg Totals >		$1,981,020.22	$513,463.03	$0.00	$321,605.40	$2,172,877.85	$556,866.85		$122,687.07	$138,921.76	$536,602.93	$2,709,480.78

					PRINCIPAL					Income					
											Income During Year				
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	GENERAL TRUST FUNDS				$1,981,020 22	$513,463 03	$0 00	$321,605 40	$2,172,877 85	$556,966 85		$122,687 07	$138,921 76	$536,602 93	$2,709 480 78
3/15/87	#9730148411 General Cemetery Trust	Lot Sales, Fees	6 mo C/D 6.25% Bank NH		$34,954 25	$10,872 40		$3,900 00	$41,926 65	$1,375 03		$374 87		$1,749 90	$43,676 55
12/12/00	Ambulance Replacement Fund #9730148411	as named	As above		$117,910 99	$52,575 95		$66,800 03	$103,686 91	$1,699 06		$1,284 08		$2 983 14	$106,670 05
12/12/00	Ambulance Equipment Fund	" "	" "		$15,722 60			$15,722 60	$0 00	$273 21		$148 63	$278 63	$143 21	$143 21
5/24/02	Bob and Cathenne Calvert Journalistic Award	Scholarship	Bk NH Pool Plus		$6,312 22			$62 22	$6,250 00	$62 22		$58 59	$62 22	$58 59	$6 308 59
									$0 00					$0 00	$0 00
									$0 00			$0 00		$0 00	$0 00
									$0 00			$0 00		$0 00	$0 00
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									$0.00			$0 00		$0 00	$0 00
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31-Dec

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	%	PRINCIPAL Balance Beginning Year	PRINCIPAL New Funds Created	PRINCIPAL Cash Gains or (Losses) Securities	PRINCIPAL With drawals	PRINCIPAL End Year	Income Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year Percent	Income During Year Amount	Income During Year Expended During Year	Income During Year Balance End Year	Grand Total of Principal & Income End of Year
					$2,155,920 28	$576,911 38	$0 00	$408,090 25	$2,324,741 41	$560,376.37		$124,553 24	$139,262 61	$541,537 77	$2,866,279 18
	CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS		Bank NH												
3/15/73	Fire Dept Equip #9730148429		" " "		$114,169 27	$100,000 00			$214,169 27	$11,440 86	0 0000%	$1,147 44		$12,588 30	$226,757 57
3/15/98	Fire Dept Radios #9730148429		" " "		$0 00				$0 00	$37 19	0 0000%	$0 33		$37 52	$37 52
3/15/81	HiWay Dept Equip #9730148429		" " "		$50,000 00				$50,000 00	$13,773 32	0 0000%	$582 55		$14,355 87	$64,355 87
3/15/98	Highway Garage #9730148429		" " "		$0 00				$0 00	$628 85	0 0000%	$5 74		$634 59	$634 59
3/15/98	Highway Construction #9730148429		" " "		$454,354 42	$750,000 00		$614,259 16	$590,095 26	$25,877 35	0 0000%	$4,210 41	$23,324 78	$6,763 00	$596,858 26
3/15/99	Hi-Way Maintenance Shed #9730148429		" " "		$700 00				$700 00	$370 62	0 0000%	$9 75		$380 37	$1,080 37
3/15/95	Bridge Const #9730148429		" " "		$41,674 03				$41,674 03	$18,223 13	0 0000%	$547 14		$18,770 27	$60,444 30
3/15/94	Landfill Closure #9730148429		" " "		$15,853 36				$15,853 36	$4,692 36	0 0000%	$187 65		$4,880 01	$20,733 37
3/15/98	Town Beech-#9730148429		" " " "		$1 00				$1 00	$0.28	0 0000%	$0 09		$0 37	$1 37
3/15/00	#9730148429 Rec Dept Tennis Courts Repairs		" " " "		$41,765 23				$41,765 23	$1,969 78	0 0000%	$399 48		$2,369 26	$44,134 49
4/15/97	#9730148429 Waterworks Line Extension		" " " "		$3,000 00				$3,000 00	$409 36	0 0000%	$31 15		$440 51	$3,440 51
4/15/97	#9730148429 Waterworks Treatment Expense		" " " "		$3,000 00				$3,000 00	$409 36	0 0000%	$31 15		$440 51	$3,440 51
4/15/97	#9730148429 Waterworks Line Replacement		" " " "		$0 00				$0 00	$77 14	0 0000%	$0 76		$77 90	$77 90
4/15/97	#9730148429 Waterworks Vehicle Expense		" " " "						$0 00	$316 50	0 0000%	$3 71	$316 50	$3 71	$3 71
3/12/01	#9730148429 Benefit Pay		" " " "		$40,897 20	$25,000 00		$36,687 30	$29,209 90	$806 18	0 0000%	$380 94		$1,187 12	$30,397 02
3/12/01	#9730148429 Reveluation		" " " "		$22,000.00				$22,000 00	$360 38	0 0000%	$204 23		$564 61	$22,564 61
3/12/01	#9730148429 Solid Waste Ctr Equipment		" " " "		$18,150 00	$20,000 00		$28,328 00	$9,822 00	$163 81	0 0000%	$167 28		$331 09	$10,153 09
	Recreation & Maint Equip					$10,000 00			$10,000 00		0 0000%		$0 00	$0 00	$10,000 00
	Library Elevator					$13,000.00			$13,000 00		0 0000%		$0 00	$0 00	$13,000 00
12/31/03	Hi-Way Sand Shed					$10,000.00			$10,000 00		0 0000%		$0 00	$0 00	$10,000 00
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									$0 00		0 0000%		$0 00	$0 00	$0 00
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			Cum Pg Totals >		$2,961,484 79	$1,504,911 38	$0.00	$1,087,364 71	$3,379,031 46	$639,932 84		$132,463 04	$162 903 87	$605,362 78	$3,984,394 24

					PRINCIPAL					Income					
											Income During Year				
Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Inveated	%	Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Cash Gains or (Losses) Securities	With drawals	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Percent	Amount	Expended During Year	Balance End Year	Grand Total of Principal & Income End of Year
	CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS	SCHOOL DEPT			$2,961,484 79	$1,504,911 38	$0 00	$1,087,364 71	$3,379,031 46	$839,932 84		$132,463 04	$162,903 87	$605,362 78	$3,984,394 24
3/15/98	#9730148396 School Roof Repairs	as stated	Bank NH	*	$75,000 00	$15,000 00		$90,000 00	$0 00	$6,032 94		$573 24	$6,606 18	$0 00	$0 00
3/15/00	#9730148396 School Gym Floor	" "	" "	**	$0 00				$0 00	$2,500 71		$4 93	$2,505 64	$0 00	$0 00
3/15/00	#9730148396 School Emergency Gen'l Maint	" "	" "	*	$45,000 00			$45,000 00	$0 00	$1,338 85		$315 33	$1,654 18	$0 00	$0 00
3/15/99	#9730148396 School Security & Safety	" "	" "	*	$20,000 00				$20,000 00	$775 49		$191 65		$967 14	$20 967 14
3/15/89	#9730148396 School Land Purchase	" "	" "		$0 00				$0 00	$0 00		$0 00		$0 00	$0 00
3/15/98	#9730148396 Schhol Dept Spec Ed Fund	" "	" "		$96,289 67	$40,000 00			$136,289 67	$48,102 72		$1,571 42		$49,674 14	$185 963 81
3/15/98	#9730148396 School Fire Suppression System	" "	" "	*	$145,000 00	$20,500 00			$165,500 00	$9,430 98		$1 474 86		$10,905 84	$176 405 84
3/15/98	#9730148396 School Hot Wtr Heater & Boiler	" "	" "		$30,000 00				$30,000 00	$4,694 10		$336 32		$5,030 42	$35,030 42
3/12/02	#97301483 96 Long Range Bldg Maint.		Bank NH	*	$25,000 00			$25,000 00	$0 00	$0 00		$137 28	$137 28	$0 00	$0 00
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					$3,397,774 46	$1,580 411 38	$0 00	$1,247,364 71	$3,730,821 13	$712,808 63		$137 068 07	$173,807 15	$671 940 32	$4 402 761 45

2003 FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE ASSESSING OFFICE

ASSESSMENT VALUES:

A.	Total of Taxable Land		$468,793,696
	Residential Land	$446,432,481	
	Commercial/Industrial Land	$ 20,384,606	
	Land in Current Use	$ 1,975,002	
	Conservation Land	$1,607	
B.	Total of Taxable Buildings		$356,476,650
	Residential Buildings	$325,633,300	
	Commercial/Industrial Buildings	$ 25,396,250	
	Manufactured Housing	$5,447,100	
C.	Total of Public Utilities		$ 4,634,100
D.	Total of Exemptions		$ 397,975
	Blind Exemptions	$30,000	
	Elderly Exemptions	$354,900	
	Alternative Energy Exemption	$13,075	

NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE LOCAL TAX RATE IS COMPUTED: $829,506,471

5 YEAR TAX RATE HISTORY OF ALTON:

	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
TOWN:	4.42	4.74	4.60	4.59	4.41
COUNTY:	1.98	2.07	1.62	4.67	5.83
SCHOOL:	4.63	5.41	4.11	4.57	4.67
STATE EDUCATION:	6.73	6.57	4.45	1.83	1.93
TOTAL:	**17.76**	**18.79**	**14.78**	**15.66**	**16.84**
EQUAL RATIO:	**97%**	**83%**	**100%**	**81%**	**Undet.**
NET TAX RATE:	**17.23**	**15.59**	**14.78**	**12.68**	**Undet.**

Respectfully submitted,

David Wiley, Assessing Agent
Earls, Neider and Perkins

2003 TAX RATE CALCULATION BY THE STATE DRA

Town Portion

Gross Appropriations	$5,979,463
Less: Revenues	$2,451,416
Less: Shared Revenues	$13,261
Add: Overlay	$93,674
War Service Credits	$44,600

Net Town Appropriation	$3,653,060
Special Adjustment	$0

Approved Town Tax Effort	$3,653,060	**Town Rate $4.41**

School Portion

Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp. - Revenue)	$7,679,444
Less: Adequate Education Grant	$0
State Education Taxes	($2,841,060)

Approved School Tax Effort	$4,838,384	**Local School Rate $5.83**

State Education Taxes

Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	$4.92		**State School Rate $4.67**
$782,769,370.00		$3,851,225	
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)			
$824,872,371.00			
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State			
Pay to State	$1,010,165		

County Portion

Due to County	$1,608,956
Less: Shared Revenue	($4,377)

Approved County Tax Effort	$1,604,579	**County Rate $1.93**

Total Property Taxes Assessed	$13,947,248	**Total Rate $16.84**
Less: War Service Credits	($44,600)	
Add: Village District Commitments	$0	
Total Property Tax Commitment	**$13,902,648**	

Proof of Rate

Net Assessed Valuation		Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	$824,872,371	$4.67	$3,851,225
All Other Taxes	$829,506,471	$12.17	$10,096,023
			$13,947,248

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

This year our report is dedicated to those citizens and personnel who have each contributed to the installation of our E9-1-1 system. We also want to recognize the dedicated full-time and part-time employees who have been called on many times to go beyond their normal duties to help implement this system. Our sincere thanks to everyone who served.

In 2003 significant changes took place within our Town departments.

Richard Plante was hired as Interim Town Administrator and he served the Town in this position until July.

Following a review and interview process of several candidates, the Board hired E. Russell Bailey as Town Administrator. We thank the volunteers who served on the Search Committee. Mr. Bailey has over 30 years experience in municipal government experience.

Selectman Donald Irvin who had been the Chairman of the Board, resigned due to the purchase of his new home in another Town. Alan Sherwood was appointed to fulfill the un-expired term

Our Town Accountant resigned and Paulette Wentworth was appointed as the Town's Finance Officer and Sheri Emerson was hired as Deputy Finance Officer.

After 29 years of service, Fire Chief Russell Sample resigned. Thank you Russ and best wishes in your future endeavors. Alan Johnson was appointed as permanent Fire Chief in September.

Our Assessor Tammy Jameson resigned her position, and we contracted with Earls Nieder and Perkins for a part-time assessor to serve the Town's needs on a temporary basis.

We contracted with Lakes Region Planning Commission with regards to implementing a contract for Household Hazardous Waste.

Also in 2003 there were many other examples of higher efficiency throughout your Town departments such as assessing services, upgrading our computer system, road and sidewalk improvements, lagoon closure process, and providing workshops for employees to name a few. We encourage you to notify us about areas you feel may need more work.

The Alton Revitalization Committee, chaired by Judy Fry is actively looking to improve our downtown area.

We also want to recognize the people who devote so much of their time in service to the community. Sometimes we can take for granted the sacrifices they make for the Town and the hardship it causes their families. The Fire Department and First Responders, the Ambulance Service and EMT's and to Chief Iwans and the men and women of the Police Department who all deserve a special *Thank You* for the jobs you do to keep our community and the public safe.

The Board appreciates the cooperation that it has received throughout the year from other Town Officials, Boards, Committees and Commissions and wishes to extend an invitation to all Alton residents to become involved in Town Government. Through the efforts of volunteers and interested Townspeople, Alton continues to be a community in which we can all be very proud.

In the coming year we look forward to having a Town web site: www.alton.nh.gov.

And we continue to participate in the NH Coalition Communities along with 33 other Towns with regards to legislative activities involving the education funding issue. Selectman Patricia Fuller is our representative to the Coalition.

We hope you take note of the list of elected and appointed officials that appears within this report. These are the people who help to make Alton a wonderful place in which to live. Please stop by the Selectmen's Office anytime you have questions or if you want to be kept up-to date on Town activities. We work for you.

Respectfully submitted,

James C. Washburn, Chairman
Patricia Fuller, Vice Chairman
Stephan McMahon, Selectman
William Ryan, Selectman
Alan Sherwood, Selectman

The M/S Mt. Washington Departing Alton Bay
Photo Courtesy of Ted Cole

REPORT OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

I would like to thank everyone for their support and assistance as we strive to provide for the community.

In 2003 we implemented the new E9-1-1 Address system which should improve the ability for our public safety personnel to respond.

The septage lagoon closure is progressing forward and we plan to complete the closure and removal by July of 2004.

I also thank the volunteers who assist us in meeting the needs of the community The Town would not be able to provide the necessary services without the help of these individuals. There is always more to do, we encourage every one to step forward to do what they can.

There is much to be positive about, as our many citizens and visitors will attest, Alton is a great place to live and visit and to enjoy the many attractions, which include our mountains, forests, wildlife, conservation areas, historical sites, and the year-round enjoyment of Lake Winnipesaukee, all contained within our borders. We are very fortunate as a community to be surrounded by the beauty of nature. We are striving to protect these natural resources.

The Town Government portion of our tax rate remains at a modest level. Our Town employees are efficient and experienced in their jobs and look forward to serving the community.

Please feel free to stop by the Town offices if you have any questions or comments about Town projects, policies or other appropriate issues.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Russell Bailey, Town Administrator

Photo: Courtesy of Francine Bonfanti

SUMMARY OF LEGAL EXPENSES

PURPOSE	AMOUNT
Town of Alton v. Donahue	$ 1,140.00
Town of Alton v. Kinnon	1,016.00
Town of Alton v. Sederquest	56.37
Town of Alton v. Talon	180.00
Arnold v. Town of Alton	20,577.26
Gordon v. Town of Alton	980.50
Hayes v. Town of Alton	975.05
Newton Porter Foundation v. Town of Alton	5,004.00
Union Contract Mediation	1,472.50
Retainer	12,900.00
Total	**44,301.68**

REPORT OF OPERATION BLESSINGS

Operation Blessings was established eight years ago to provide needy families of Alton with Thanksgiving food baskets. These baskets contain a turkey and all the "fixins" for a traditional Thanksgiving dinner. I also provided senior citizens with fruit baskets.

In 2003 we were able to help as many as 45 families and 12 senior citizens. I am still always amazed at the generosity of the townfolks of Alton. We had 32 contributions this year.

I would like to thank the Police and Fire Dept. and a special thanks to my Deputy, Sheri, for all the help she provided. I would also like to thank the volunteers who help me make up the baskets and deliver them. Your assistance was again a big help and greatly appreciated. Hope to see you next year for another successful endeavor.

Respectfully submitted,

Paulette M. Wentworth, Chairperson

REPORT OF THE WELFARE OFFICER

In 2003, the Board of Selectmen changed the name of our department to *Alton Social Services*. This past year, we granted assistance to over 85 clients and families who were eligible for help from the Town. The Heidke Trust Fund also provided assistance to our senior residents.. We wish to thank our caregivers who have never failed to meet the needs of our elderly citizens. If you know of any person who meets the Heidke Fund Guidelines or have questions about this program, please call this office at 875-2161. Although Alton Social Services administers the fund, the Heidke Trust Fund is managed by Trustees of Trust Funds, and to qualify a person needs to be over 65, have limited income and be a resident of Alton for 5 years prior to applying.

As in the past we work with many outside agencies to ensure families who need assistance and families in crisis are provided for in an adequate manner. At this time I would like to thank Alton Community Services Program, Community Action Program, New Beginnings, Genesis, NH Municipal Welfare Association, Division of Health & Human Services, the VNA, Project Care, Operation Blessings, Gilmanton Churches, Mrs. Santa, NH Legal Advice and Referral, Catholic Charities, St. Vincent D'Paul, Salvation Army, Prospect View Elderly Housing, the American legion, our local business and churches, and individuals who have contributed gifts of food, clothing and other donations and for volunteering their time to serve the needs of those less fortunate.

I appreciate the services of my former Deputy Welfare Officer, Rosemary Jeffries. Paulette Wentworth is currently appointed to this position. I would like to thank her and Sheri Emerson for their help during the year and for their assistance with this report.

SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED IN 2003

Housing	$19,610.00
Food	2,655.56
Utilities	4,987.74
Miscellaneous	571.61
TOTAL	$27,825.20
Heidke Trust Fund	$21,605.40

Respectfully submitted,
Patricia A. Rockwood, Welfare Officer

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

One of the many functions of the Town Clerk's Office is registering and titling motor vehicles. Marie Price, Deputy Town Clerk, and I issue license plates for passenger cars, motorcycles, trailers, farm tractors and agriculture vehicles. Some registrations cannot be completed at the Town due to the weight of the vehicle or type of plate, but please start at the Town before going to the State or a sub-station. New residents to the Town from another state need to bring your current registration, original title if the vehicle is a 1990 or newer, photo ID and two pieces of mail with an Alton address, not a post office box. If you moved to Alton from another town in New Hampshire, you will need all the above except the title Renewal letters are sent out on a monthly basis to enable you to renew your vehicles by mail!

New dog licenses are available for 2004. The 2003 license will expire April 30th. There will be a rabies clinic, date to be announced, prior to the end of April.

It's been a pleasure working with you and we look forward to another year. The office hours are 8:30 to 4:30, Monday through Friday. If you have any questions, please call 875-2101. We will be happy to assist you!

REVENUES

	2003		2002	
Motor Vehicle Registrations Issued:	7,951	$868,084.16	7,615	$790,628.50
Titles:	1,606	3,212.00	1,453	2,906.00
Decals:	6,777	16,942.50	6,580	16,450.00
Vital Statistics:				
Marriage Licenses Issued:	29	1,305.00	32	1,440.00
Certified Copies Issued:	116	1,200.50	152	1,502.00
Uniform Commercial Code Filings:		2,351.00		3,644.71
Miscellaneous Fees:				
Aqua-therm Permits:		65.00		245.00
Book Sales:		210.00		204.95
Filing Fees:		15.00		18.00
Returned Check Fees:		150.00		100.00
Voter Registration Cards:		16.00		12.00
Voter Checklists/Dog Lists:		125.00		100.00
Pole Permits:		50.00		20.00
Articles of Agreement:		15.00		10.00
Search for Vital Records:		12.00		----
Wetlands Applications Processed:	58	767.50	83	1,096.50
Dog Licenses Issued:	1,081	8,733.00	1,052	8,644.50
Total Amount of Fees Collected:		$903,253.66		$827,022.16
Total Amount Remitted to Treasurer:		$903,253.66		$827,022.16

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Waterman, Town Clerk

VITAL STATISTICS - 2003 ALTON RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT

DATE	CHILD	FATHER	MOTHER	PLACE OF BIRTH
Jan 04	Samuel Joseph Bangs	Larry Bangs	Shari Bangs	Concord
Jan 09	Samuel Robert Cormier	Scott Cormier	Jennifer Cormier	Dover
Jan 16	Samuel Ryan Bonner	Ryan Bonner	Noella Bonner	Rochester
Jan 24	Cole Jeffrey Paro	Eric Paro	Christian Paro	Nashua
Jan 27	Dominic Michael Soucy	Michael Soucy	Rebecca Soucy	Laconia
Feb 06	Dartagnan Scott Birnie	John Birnie	Christine Birnie	Rochester
Feb 13	Abigail Sarah Deroche	Dean Deroche	Monique Deroche	Concord
Feb 20	Jordan Marie Whittier	Alton Whittier	Maria Whittier	Concord
Feb 21	Logan James Tilly	Lawrence Tilly	Christine Michaud-Tilly	Exeter
Mar 03	Luke Robert Deroche	Robert Deroche	Michelle Deroche	Dover
Mar 30	Kathryn Rose Archambault	Randall Archambault	Pauline Archambault	Laconia
Apr 20	Tristan Wesley Whittier	Wesley Whittier	Kimberly Whittier	Wolfeboro
Apr 26	Abagael Edith Swenson	Andrew Swenson	Kara Swenson	Laconia
May 13	Jacob Wesley Nelson	John Nelson	Heather Nelson	Manchester
May 20	Dylan Michael Poulin	Jerry Poulin	Tammy Poulin	Dover
May 20	Hannah Elizabeth Poulin	Jerry Poulin	Tammy Poulin	Dover
Jun 15	Dylan Robert Wood	John-Daniel Defaloc	Elizabeth Wood	Nashua
Jun 20	Emma Jane Claus	Craig Claus	Marion Claus	Dover
Jun 26	Gabrielle Lynn Greeley	Charles Greeley	Cheryl Greeley	Laconia
Jun 27	Matthew Oberg P. Dame	Marc Dame	Patricia Dame	Concord
Jun 30	Madison Marie Kleeberg	Eric Kleeberg	Karrie-Jeanne Kleeberg	Dover
Jul 05	Raiden Edward Cruz	James Cruz	Kelly Cruz	Rochester
Jul 07	Kayleigh Alyse Harris	Richard Harris	Kristina Lisitano	Laconia
Jul 24	Lilianne Paige Hillsgrove	Jason Hillsgrove	Heather Hillsgrove	Rochester
Aug 20	Michael Alan Davignon	Michael Davignon	Carley Davignon	Wolfeboro
Aug 23	Allie Lee Stockman	Ryan Stockman	Angela Stockman	Concord
Sep 05	Matthew John Gouthier	Lance Gouthier	Christine Gouthier	Concord
Sep 11	Elizabeth Lynn Abbott	John Abbott	Stacey Abbott	Manchester
Sep 12	Jillian Mae Nason	Ronald Nason	Pamela Nason	Laconia
Sep 18	Garrett Erickson-Harris	Joseph Harris	Lisa Erickson-Harris	Concord
Sep 29	Carter Gene Dore	Aaron Dore	Kristina Dore	Laconia
Oct 01	Mary Grace Gubitose	George Gubitose	Maureen Gubitose	Concord
Oct 10	Brandon Miller Johnson	Christopher Johnson	Amy Johnson	Laconia
Oct 16	Perrin Ellis Mcleod	Miles Mcleod	Pamela Mcleod	Dover
Oct 23	Makenzy Celia Holden	Russell Holden	Paula Holden	Rochester
Nov 15	Mitchell Douglas Townsend	John Townsend	Sarah Townsend	Rochester
Dec 25	Annabelle Faith Noyes	Steven Noyes	Wendy Noyes	Concord
Dec 30	Kendall Sophia Santy	Chadwick Santy	Susan Santy	Laconia

VITAL STATISTICS - 2003 ALTON RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT

DATE	GROOM'S NAME	RESIDENCE	BRIDE'S NAME	RESIDENCE
Feb 14	Ronald Arsenault	Alton, NH	Sara Brochu	Alton, NH
Feb 22	Herbert Sprague	Alton, NH	Yolande Correia	Rochester, NH
Mar 15	James Cruz	Alton, NH	Kelly Guivens	Alton, NH
Apr 09	Charles Phillips	Alton, NH	Janice Argenziano	Alton, NH
Apr 19	Robert Williams	Alton, NH	Amy Steadman	Milton Mills NH
May 17	Eric Seymour	Alton Bay, NH	Nicole Pervier	Alton Bay, NH
May 18	Jason Fifield	Alton, NH	Jessie Forsyth	Barnstead, NH
May 24	Craig Burton	Alton, NH	Elizabeth Paradise	Alton, NH
May 31	Scott Morin	Alton, NH	Mary Landry	Alton, NH
Jun 09	Jason Pitman	Alton, NH	Tanya Badger	Middleton, NH
Jun 28	David Williams	Alton, NH	Patricia Farley	Alton, NH
Jun 28	Jonathan Currier	Alton, NH	Tammy Bonner	Alton, NH
Jul 01	Jeremy Dube	Alton Bay, NH	Morgan Fuller-Dadura	Alton, NH
Jul 05	Michael Plukas	Alton, NH	Dawn Newlin	Alton, NH
Jul 13	Richard White	Milford, NH	Elizabeth Holland	Alton, NH
Jul 20	Ernest Wentworth	Alton, NH	Amy Dutton	Alton, NH
Aug 02	William Lemelin	Alton, NH	Alysia Champney	Peabody, MA
Aug 09	Jonathan Hersey	Wolfeboro, NH	Tanya Lewis	Alton, NH
Aug 09	Richard Niquette	Alton, NH	Anne Gervais	Alton, NH
Aug 16	Derek Kenerson	Alton, NH	Marisa Kelley	Alton, NH
Sep 13	Cory Downs	Alton, NH	Carmen Cruea	Alton, NH
Sep 27	Gary Lacey	Alton, NH	Lauralyn Saunders	Alton, NH
Sep 27	Blake Ring	Alton, NH	Stephanie Yeo	Alton, NH
Sep 28	Norman Hillsgrove	Alton, NH	Catherine Barritt	Hopkinton, NH
Oct 03	Wayne Penney	Alton, NH	Stephanie DeCato	Alton, NH
Oct 12	Brian Hikel	Alton Bay, NH	Kristine Getz	Alton Bay, NH
Oct 17	Kristian Johnson	Alton, NH	Gyme-Lynn Bennett	Wolfeboro, NH
Oct 18	Stephen Hatch	Alton, NH	Shirley Eaton	Wolfeboro, NH
Nov 11	Conrad Guignard	Alton Bay, NH	Kristina Lougee	Alton Bay, NH

VITAL STATISTICS - 2003 ALTON RESIDENT DEATH REPORT

DATE	NAME OF DECEASED	PLACE	FATHERS NAME	MOTHERS MAIDEN NAME
Jan 03	Elizabeth W. Stafford	Alton, NH	Alfred Woodward	Anne Miller
Jan 08	Eleanor Selesky	Laconia, NH	Maxim Suchinetz	Anna Tolstuk
Jan 12	Barbara C. Walker	Rochester, NH	Hugh Colby	Hazel Ayer
Jan 16	Lula E. Thoroughgood	Alton, NH	Forest Varney	Hazel Jones
Jan 23	Jessica A. Wilcox	Alton, NH	Brian Wilcox	Anne Chamberlin
Feb 03	Elwin C. Fortier	Alton, NH	Camille Fortier	Iola Edmunds
Feb 05	Virginia F. Dobson	Wolfeboro, NH	William Fouhy	Sarah Better
Feb 07	Mae R. Lamothe	Wolfeboro, NH	Raymond Crandall	Grace Penelton
Feb 13	Charles E. Griffin	Laconia, NH	Chester Griffin	Hattie Carver
Feb 19	Albert C. Husson	Wolfeboro, NH	Luther Husson	Cecilia Peddle
Feb 19	Ruth A. Jones	Wolfeboro, NH	Herman Mayer	Ada Hall
Mar 05	Elizabeth C. McGlone	Laconia, NH	John Kennedy	Elizabeth Ward
Mar 13	Marion M. Kenerson	Alton, NH	Edward Pratt	Jeanette Shonke
Mar 14	Stefan Jurzyk	Laconia, NH	Boleslaw Jurzyk	B. Burakowska
Mar 23	Yvonne E. Guichard	Alton Bay, NH	Albert Levesque	Cecile Guy
Mar 29	David L. Bennett	Ossipee, NH	Maurice Bennett	Annie Kidd
Apr 05	Archie A. Horne	Wolfeboro, NH	Archie Horne	Ethel Bartlett
Apr 08	Darlene M. Lucier	Alton Bay, NH	Donald Lucier	Kathryn Sumner
Apr 15	Eleanor M. Hoaglund	Wolfeboro, NH	Leo Lefort	Emma Zinke
Apr 23	Linda E. Macdonald	Alton, NH	Irving Gray	Sara Woodard
Apr 26	Harold R. Maciver	Laconia, NH	Murdock Maciver	Laura Morrison
Jun 29	Doris M. Selfridge	Wolfeboro, NH	Oscar Trepanier	Dorothy Maye
Jul 09	Jacqueline L. Button	Wolfeboro, NH	Melvin Sverker	Violet Davis
Jul 15	Joyce E. Flint	Rochester, NH	Leslie Temple	Marion Perry
Aug 24	Matthew J. Cook-Hamer	Epping, NH	J. Hamer	Deborah Cook
Aug 24	Robert W. Levesque	Epping, NH	Mark Levesque	Elizabeth Mullen
Oct 12	Frederick H. Koch	Laconia, NH	Harry Koch	Elizabeth Ferrara
Dec 05	Alice A. Petro	Meredith, NH	Wilbur Weed	Margaret Wellner
Dec 10	Ann V. Pearson	Alton, NH	Herbert Meader	Alta Vickery
Dec 28	Porter F. Covell	Alton, NH	Osgood Covell	Elma Ferrol
Dec 31	Kenneth S. Wallace	Laconia, NH	Clarence Wallace	Hazel Martin

2003 Report of the Town Planner

For a planner, it has been a rewarding year with a full docket of work and excellent cooperation from the staff of the different departments. The Land Use Department has provided staff assistance to the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Subdivision Rewrite Committee, Capital Improvements Committee, Zoning Amendments Committee, Downtown Revitalization Committee, and the Safety Building Committee. The staff of the Department takes customer service very seriously, and they make a grand effort to satisfy the diverse requests of folks that visit the "counter."

The application processing work of the Department has been very active and time consuming for us, with two large subdivisions, which contain new roads and many small subdivisions and site plans. Although these large subdivisions require considerable attention, the Department spends many hours of "hand-holding" to help applicants find their way through the complicated web of state and local regulations. The Department's policy is to work towards ensuring that all applications have the necessary information to allow the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment and Conservation Commission to make decisions.

Because of the variety of state, federal and local permitting requirements, we have developed a project review format that is focused on addressing impacts and providing mitigation strategies for the negative impacts that can protect our fragile natural and social environments. This project review format is a "work in progress" and is constantly being improved.

The Department has assisted the Planning Board in writing the Vision Chapter of the Master Plan and developing amendments to the Zoning Ordinance. There has been a continual process of researching information and communication with other planning agencies and the Town Attorney. The Department members strongly believe that it is important to keep up-to-date on new legislation and planning strategies.

Alton is one of the fastest growing communities in the area. To address this growth and still maintain the same fine level of public service, the town should consider, again, an "up-date" of certain sections of the Master Plan. The 2002 legislators made some substantial changes to the Master Plan enabling act. To meet these changes, the town should consider revisiting the Plan. Once the up-dated Master Plan work has been finalized, a comprehensive rewrite of the Zoning Ordinance would be in order. Once the Zoning Ordinance has been addressed, a careful rewrite of the Site Plan Regulations should be completed. There is much planning work that can be done to allow the Town of Alton to maintain its fine existing level of service into the future, regardless of the expected growth.

Respectfully submitted,

Peer Kraft-Lund, Town Planner

REPORT OF THE CODE OFFICIAL

The total number of building permits for 2003 is 403, this is up 63 permits from last year's total of 340 permits. The number of dwelling units was 107, of this 86 were conventional houses, 14 were 28 foot wide manufactured houses and 2 multi-family houses were built, one 4 unit and one 3 unit.

The breakdown of the 403 is as follows: 86 new homes, 14 manufactured houses, 4 seasonal cottages, 55 garages, 58 additions, 55 decks and porches, 47 barns and sheds, 41 remodeling permits, 25 docks, 10 foundations, 3 commercial remodels, 1 high school, 1 modular classroom, 2 demolitions, and 1 in-ground swimming pool.

PERMIT STATISTICS BY CATEGORY

	2001	2002	2003
BUILDING	266	340	403
ELECTRICAL	120	158	211
PLUMBING	68	100	154
SANITARY	100	109	100
SEPTIC REVIEW	65	128	130
WELL	66	70	77
OCCUPANCY	62	52	99
SIGNS	32	17	25
TOTALS	799	974	1199
FEES COLLECTED	$ 56,081.70	$69,849.00	$88,796.10
BUILDING VALUES	$12,666,111	$18,744,717	$20,904579

Respectfully submitted,
Brian Boyers, Code Official

2003 REPORT OF THE LAND USE AND PROPERTY RECORDS DEPARTMENT

The Land Use and Property Records department oversees the administration of the Building Inspector/Code Official, Assessor, Planning Department, Property Records, Zoning Board, Conservation Commission, Town Forester and the various Land Use functions of the town.

This extremely busy office is responsible for processing building permits, septic designs, driveway/right-of-way permits, intents to cut, intents to excavate, subdivisions, site plan reviews, variances, special exceptions, administrative appeals, voluntary mergers, current use, abatements, exemptions, property transfers, as well as the tax map updates. We were also delegated the additional responsibility of assigning of new house numbers through the state E 9-1-1 system and worked during the summer to begin implementing the system.

We assist with the numerous visitors and phone calls to this office, which increased dramatically during 2003. We assist residents, appraisers, real estate agents, title companies, lenders, law offices, builders, engineers, prospective purchasers and other interested parties with numerous research projects.

The construction of Prospect Mountain High School that is now underway has landowners and developers inquiring as to what the possibilities of expansion can be. The questions that are most frequent are as to the subdivision and multi-family regulations.

Building permits have been at their highest this year, along with Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment applications. We have also had a steady stream of wetlands permit applications.

With the increase of building permits and home improvements, the interim assessor has been trying to maintain the status quo. The town has proposed the hiring of a full time assessor, new software to bring the systems up to date with the growth of the town and proposed update. As these are accomplished, we are in hope of attaining the true market value of properties and the stabilization of the assessing office.

The members of this office are pleased to work with a fantastic group of volunteers, our elected and appointed individuals on the Town's land use boards and other committees. They continue to work in the best interest in the Town of Alton. We thank them for their constant commitment and dedicated efforts.

Respectfully submitted:

Brian Boyers, Code Official
Kathy Currier, Administrative Assistant
Rosemary Jeffries, Secretary
Peer Kraft-Lund, Planner
David Wiley, Interim Assessor – Earls, Neider & Perkins, LLC

Item	Total Estimated Replacement $	code	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Solid Waste Center								
Front End Loader	75,000		25,000	25,000	25,000	0	0	0
Septic Lagoon	1,000,000		166,666	166,666	166,666	166,666	166,666	166,666
SWC Equip Cap Reserve in			***191,666***	***191,666***	***191,666***	***166,666***	***166,666***	***166,666***
SWC Equip Cap Reserve Out					***-75,000***			
SWC Equip Cap Reserve Bal			9,986					
Funds from General Taxation			**191,666**	**191,666**	**191,666**	**166,666**	**166,666**	**166,666**
Highway Department								
91 Homemade trailer	9,159			3,145	3,239	629	648	667
97 Trailer	2,060			236	243	250	258	265
92 International dump	113,300	5		29,175	30,050	30,952	7,900	8,137
98 Chevy pick up truck	32,960	5		16,974	4,779	4,923	5,070	5,222
94 Backhoe no detail	45,320			7,780	8,013	8,254	8,501	8,756
77 Rogers Trailer	14,655	5		2,157	2,221	2,288	2,356	2,427
95 Chipper	13,905	5		1,194	1,229	1,266	1,304	1,343
2001 Ford 550	70,349	5		5,574	5,741	5,913	6,091	6,273
97 Mack dump	113,300	5		8,336	8,586	8,843	9,109	9,382
98 Grader	220,420	5		15,136	15,590	16,057	16,539	17,035
99 Mack Dump	113,300	5		7,294	7,512	7,738	7,970	8,209
99 Cat Loader	120,253	5		7,741	7,974	8,213	8,459	8,713
2000 Mack Dump	113,300	5		6,865	7,071	7,283	7,501	7,726
2002 10 Wheel Mack Dump	129,944	5		7,044	7,256	7,473	7,698	7,928
2003 excavator	225,636		50,000	75,190	77,446	79,769	20,360	20,971
99 steamer	5,665			972	1,002	1,032	1,063	1,095
Highway vehicle/equip Cap Res In			***50,000***	***194,813***	***187,952***	***190,883***	***110,827***	***114,149***
Highway Reconstruction (CR)			725,000	750,000	750,000	750,000	750,000	750,000
Emergency Reconstruction								
Sand Shed	315,000		10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Total Hwy Dept. Expenditures			***785,000***	***954,813***	***947,952***	***950,883***	***870,827***	***874,149***
Highway Sand Shed CR			***10,000***	***20,000***	***30,000***	***40,000***	***50,000***	***60,000***
Highway Bridge CR Out								-50985
Highway Bridge CR Balance			0	0	0	0	0	0
Highwey Equip Cap Res Out			0					
Highway Garage			0	0				
Highway Maintenance Shed								
Highway Reconstruction (CR) bal								
Highway Equip Cap Res Bal								
Highway Blk Grant								
Funds from General Taxation			***785,000***	***954,813***	***947,952***	***950,883***	***870,827***	***874,149***
Fire Department								
Replace Engine 5 1975	300,000			15,700	16,190	16,675	17,175	17,700
Engine 1 1987	325,000			15,700	16,190	16,675	17,175	17,700
Engine 4 1991	300,000			15,700	16,190	16,675	17,175	17,700
Forestry	70,000			5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Ladder 1 1989	450,000			26,525	27,230	28,140	29,000	29,850
boat 1 1997	50,000			2,140	2,203	2,270	2,338	2,408
Car 1 1998	29,000			5,150	5,304	5,465	5,627	5,796
Fire vehicle/equip Cap Res in			**0**	**85,915**	**88,307**	**90,900**	**93,490**	**96,154**
Replace 86 Rescue vehicle			200,000	12,000	12,360	12,730	13,115	13,510
6 intersiro packs (6) spare bottles			31,500					
All Terrain Vehicle				14,000				
Bauer breathing apparatus				38,000				
20'x40' addition to central station			50,000					
Ambulance A1 lease	off set by fees		33,500	34,500	35,540			
Ambulance A2 purchase	off set by fees		33,500	34,500	35,540	36,610	37,710	38,840
Total Fire Dept. Expenditures			***348,500***	***218,915***	***171,747***	***103,630***	***106,605***	***109,664***
Ambulance Acct Out			67,000	69,000	71,080	36,610	37,710	38,840
Ambulance Replacement Fund			86,652	69,000	71,080	36,610	37,710	38,840
Ambulance Equip CR			14,825					
Fire Equipment (CR)								

Item	Replacement $	code	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Fire Department Radios (CR)								
Funds from General Taxation			***281,500***	***149,915***	***100,667***	***67,020***	***68,895***	***70,824***
General Infra./Municipal Facilities								
Town Hall Improvements			25,093					
Land Use dept- 4 wheel drive Ford Escape			18,500					
set up capital reserve for renovation or construction of saftey facilitie(s)								
set up capital reserve for safety facilities			*10,000*					
engineering study								
Total General Gov. Expenditures			53,593					
Alton Vil. Revitlztn Cap Reserve Out								
Alton Vil. Revitlztn Cap Reserve Bal								
Clough-Morrell Trust Fund			25,093					
Funds from General Taxation	0		***28,500***					
Police Department								
Police Patrol Vehicles 4x4			*25,600*	*26,100*	*26,800*	*27,800*	*28,000*	*28,400*
Police Station Interior Painting								
set up (CR) for Police Station Expansion			40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Total Police Department Expenditures			65,600	66,100	66,800	67,800	68,000	68,400
Police Bldg Cap Reserve Out								
Police Bldg Cap Reserve Bal								
Funds from General Taxation			**65,600**	**66,100**	**66,800**	**67,800**	**68,000**	**68,400**
Library								
Library Elevator			*26,000*					
Elevator (CR) in			*13,000*					
Funds from General Taxation			***26,000***					
Recreation Department								
replacement for 1998 John Deere Tractor	7,000		7,000					
Repair Public Boat Docks	24,000		24,000					
New Pickup Truck	32,000		12,000	20,000				
Town Beach	50,000			10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Jones Field Parking Lot (asphalt)	27,000				27,000			
	0							
Total Recreation Dept. Expenditures			***43,000***	***30,000***	***37,000***	***10,000***	***10,000***	***10,000***
Rec/Maint Equipment (CR)			10,000					
set up capital reserve for land town beach								
Funds from General Taxation			***43,000***	***30,000***	***37,000***	***10,000***	***10,000***	***10,000***
Water Department								
New Well - Loan Payments			*31,000*	*31,000*	*31,000*	*31,000*	*31,000*	*31,000*
Main Replacement - Pine Street Ext			20,000					
Main Replacement - Downing Drive				15,000				
Phase 1 Route 28							30,000	
Phase 2 Route 28								30,000
1-Ton Truck				12,000	12,000	12,000		
Total Water Department Expenditures			51,000	58,000	43,000	43,000	61,000	61,000
Water Dept Vehicle Cap Reserve Out								
Water Dept. Vehicle Cap Reserve Bal								
Water User Fee Revenue			51,000	58,000	43,000	43,000	61,000	61,000
Funds from General Taxation			0	0	0	0	0	0

Item	Replacement $	code	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Alton School Dept.								
Fire Suppression system In	241,000		25,000	25,000	25,000			
Captial Reserve Funds Roof IN				150,000	150,000	150,000		
Expendable trust fund Emergency GM			15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
Capital Reserve Fund Long Range Bld								
Maintenance fund								
Total School Dept. Expenditures			**40,000**	**190,000**	**190,000**	**165,000**	**15,000**	**15,000**
School Bond Obligation			1,388,782	1,341,546	1,293,310	1,246,122	1,198,936	1,151,748
School Dept Roof Repairs (CR) bal								
School Dept Gym Floor (CR) bal								
School Dept General Emergency bal								
School Dept Expendable trust Bal								
School Dept Land Purchase bal								
School Special Ed Fund bel								
School Fire Suppression System bal								
School Hot Water & Boiler bal								
Funds from General Taxation			***1,428,782***	***1,531,546***	***1,483,310***	***1,411,122***	***1,213,936***	***1,166,748***
Total Town outlay			**2,993,141**	**3,051,040**	**2,941,475**	**2,753,101**	**2,497,034**	**2,456,627**
Total Town + School Impact from Taxation			**2,850,048**	**2,924,040**	**2,827,395**	**2,673,491**	**2,398,324**	**2,356,787**
Total Town Only Impact from Taxation			**1,421,266**	**1,392,494**	**1,344,085**	**1,262,369**	**1,184,388**	**1,190,039**

Conservation Commission Annual Report 2003

Throughout the past year, the Conservation Commission reviewed a total of 53 N.H. Dredge and Fill permit applications for proposed projects impacting surface waters and/or wetlands in Alton. These included 32 standard and 21 minimum expedited applications. The Commission conducted site inspections and sent comments with recommendations to the N.H. Wetlands Bureau. We also sent comments to the Planning Board if the application was associated with a site plan or subdivision.

The Commission continues to work closely with the Planning Board regarding environmental impacts of proposed projects. We reviewed many subdivision and site plans, conducted field visits and commented on proposed plans for the Planning Board.

The Commission manages and annually monitors several hundred acres of protected conservation land in Alton. The Gilman Pond Conservation area and the Alton Town Forest are currently available for public use and include walking trails and parking areas.

For a number of years, the Commission has included funds in our budget for Lay Lake Monitoring of Lake Winnipesaukee. Lay Lake Monitoring provides data to access the lake's water quality. Our budget now includes additional funding to support water quality testing for Half Moon Lake and the Merrymeeting River.

On Earth Day, April 22, the Commission received an Environmental Merit Award from the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency's New England Office in recognition of its efforts and commitment to protect the natural resources of Alton and the region. We were very surprised and pleased to receive one of the seven awards given in New Hampshire.

We extend our special thanks and appreciation to the staff members of the Land Use Department for their wonderful support in taking our minutes, maintaining our records, tracking Alton's many wetland applications and providing coordination with the Planning Board.

We invite anyone interested in serving on the Commission to attend our meetings. Three positions are currently available.

Respectfully submitted,

Earl Bagley, Co-Chairman
Justine Gengras, Co-Chairman
Roger Burgess
Thomas Hoopes
Frances Washburn, Alternate
James Washburn, Selectmen's Representative

Inventory of Town Property

MAP & LOT	LAND ASSESS.	BUILDING ASSESS.	TOTAL ASSESSMENT	ACRES	PROPERTY LOCATION
0001-0012-000	1,759	0	**1,759**	15.4340	LOCKES CORNER ROAD.
0005-0038-000	1,000	0	**1,000**	5.0000	OFF COFFIN BROOK ROAD
0005-0043-000	25,000	0	**25,000**	4.6200	COFFIN BROOK ROAD
0005-0073-000	9,600	0	**9,600**	50.8500	OFF COFFIN BROOK ROAD
0005-0074-000	2,485	0	**2,485**	39.6500	SUNCOOK VALLEY ROAD
0006-0021-000	100	0	**100**	0.1000	SUNCOOK VALLEY ROAD
0008-0036-000	51,900	17,400	**69,300**	14.0000	JONES CIRCLE EXTENSION
0008-0037-006	23,700	0	**23,700**	4.1000	JONES CIRCLE EXTENSION
0009-0037-000	1,800	0	**1,800**	0.4000	OLD NEW DURHAM ROAD
0010-0004-000	207	0	**207**	13.8000	FROHOCK BROOK ROAD R.O.W.
0010-0015-000	90,200	0	**90,200**	90.0000	AVERY HILL ROAD
0012-0011-000	40,600	6,000	**46,600**	1.5000	ROUTE 28
0012-0012-000	2,900	0	**2,900**	0.0500	ROUTE 28
0012-0076-000	13,600	0	**13,600**	0.7000	BEAR POND ROAD
0012-0077-000	7,000	0	**7,000**	0.4000	BEAR POND ROAD
0012-0081-000	11,100	0	**11,100**	0.5000	BEAR POND ROAD
0014-0014-000	71,800	0	**71,800**	41.0000	FORT POINT ROAD
0015-0031-000	127,700	0	**127,700**	208.0000	GILMANS CORNER ROAD
0015-0053-000	27,900	0	**27,900**	48.0000	ROUTE 28
0015-0071-000	96,500	0	**96,500**	159.2000	MARSH HILL RD
0015-0087-000	77,400	147,800	**225,200**	45.5900	ROUTE 28A
0018-0013-000	91,100	0	**91,100**	52.0000	FORT POINT ROAD
0018-0022-000	40,100	76,600	**116,700**	1.1000	QUARRY ROAD
0019-0051-000	32,700	0	**32,700**	13.0000	RINES ROAD
0019-0052-000	33,700	0	**33,700**	9.0000	RINES ROAD
0019-0060-000	5,500	0	**5,500**	0.2300	OFF RINES ROAD
0022-0001-000	19,600	0	**19,600**	0.1600	ROUTE 28 SOUTH
0025-0000-001	44,200	26,900	**71,100**	4.5300	SUNCOOK VALLEY RD
0025-0000-002	14,000	0	**14,000**	0.9400	SUNCOOK VALLEY RD
0025-0013-000	14,300	0	**14,300**	0.4600	BAXTER PARK
0027-0032-000	35,000	514,600	**549,600**	0.2300	MAIN STREET
0027-0036-000	28,600	0	**28,600**	0.1400	MAIN STREET
0027-0037-000	35,200	184,100	**219,300**	0.3800	MAIN STREET
0027-0066-000	46,100	5,300	**51,400**	6.2500	MAIN STREET
0028-0006-000	27,800	0	**27,800**	0.3900	ROUTE 140
0028-0053-000	40,500	260,200	**300,700**	5.0000	ROUTE 140
0029-0001-000	33,000	165,900	**198,900**	0.1900	MAIN STREET
0029-0007-000	15,000	0	**15,000**	0.2200	ROUTE 140
0029-0072-000	58,100	313,900	**372,000**	3.7000	DEPOT STREET
0029-0083-000	36,200	83,800	**120,000**	1.2800	PEARSON ROAD
0030-0014-000	22,500	0	**22,500**	0.2500	LETTER "S" ROAD
0030-0015-000	9,500	0	**9,500**	0.1000	LETTER "S" ROAD
0030-0016-000	22,500	0	**22,500**	0.4000	LETTER "S" ROAD
0030-0019-000	32,500	0	**32,500**	1.7000	LETTER "S" ROAD
0030-0020-000	40,200	100,200	**140,400**	3.5000	LETTER "S" ROAD
0030-0024-000	22,500	0	**22,500**	0.4000	LETTER "S" ROAD

MAP & LOT	LAND ASSESS.	BUILDING ASSESS.	TOTAL ASSESSMENT	ACRES	PROPERTY LOCATION
0031-0014-000	7,700	0	**7,700**	2.2500	LETTER "S" ROAD
0031-0016-000	7,700	0	**7,700**	0.3000	LETTER "S" ROAD
0031-0017-000	11,600	0	**11,600**	1.0000	LETTER "S" ROAD
0031-0018-000	4,700	0	**4,700**	2.4000	LETTER "S" ROAD
0031-0020-000	59,600	0	**59,600**	7.7000	OFF RIVERLAKE WEST
0032-0012-000	14,600	20,000	**34,600**	0.0300	ROUTE 11
0032-0046-000	374,400	3,000	**377,400**	9.8000	MAIN STREET
0032-0058-000	35,300	29,500	**64,800**	0.6300	MAIN STREET
0033-0037-000	71,000	33,000	**104,000**	0.4000	ROUTE 28 A
0033-0084-000	378,800	1,500	**380,300**	0.3000	ROUTE 28 A
0034-0019-00A	1,600	0	**1,600**	0.0600	RAND HILL ROAD
0034-0035-000	66,000	44,700	**110,700**	1.5800	ROUTE 11
0034-0036-000	1,044,000	200,000	**1,244,000**	1.5000	ROUTE 11
0038-0043-00A	17,100	0	**17,100**	0.0600	KEEWAYDIN PARK
0039-0045-000	18,400	5,000	**23,400**	1.0000	LEIGH DRIVE
0041-0006-001	178,200	0	**178,200**	0.9700	VIRGINIA COURT
0054-0007-000	11,400	0	**11,400**	10.0000	ROUTE 11D
0055-0013-000	289,700	0	**289,700**	0.9200	YOUNGS COVE
0058-0003-000	16,600	0	**16,600**	1.2000	ROUTE 11D
0058-0004-000	11,000	0	**11,000**	1.5000	WOODLANDS RD
0065-0066-000	0	0	**0**	1.8700	RAILROAD AVENUE
0066-0009-000	154,900	1,900	**156,800**	0.1500	ROUTE 11
0066-0034-00A	84,300	0	**84,300**	0.0500	OAK STREET
0071-0015-000	23,200	0	**23,200**	0.2600	MARLENE DRIVE
0072-0001-000	3,400	0	**3,400**	0.4000	FROHOCK BROOK ROAD
0072-0002-000	3,400	0	**3,400**	0.4100	FROHOCK BROOK ROAD
0072-0003-000	3,400	0	**3,400**	0.4000	FROHOCK BROOK ROAD
0072-0080-000	7,900	0	**7,900**	0.2300	SCOTT DRIVE
TOTALS:	**4,384,551**	**2,241,300**	**6,625,851**	**895.8140**	

Zoning Board of Adjustment
2003 Annual Report

The Zoning Board of Adjustment had an extremely busy year in 2003, hearing 23 new cases and considering several requests for rehearings. The caseload increased dramatically from 11 in 2000, 15 in 2001 and 14 in 2002.

The Board approved five Variances and 10 Special Exceptions. Denials of cases included three Variances, two Administrative Appeals and one Equitable Waiver. One case was withdrawn and another was continued over to 2004.

The Board and staff members of the Land Use Department continued to look at improving procedural methods for reviewing applications and assisting applicants.

The members of the Zoning Board of Adjustment must follow the state laws and uphold the Alton Zoning Ordinance. While the Board is at times required to interpret the Zoning Ordinance, it cannot change what is set forth in the Ordinance. The decision making process is at times a difficult one. There are no two properties that are exactly the same and Alton has many varied neighborhood areas. The members carefully weigh "neighborhood" factors, listen to testimony, review survey plans, conduct research as necessary and fully discuss the criteria that must be met in order to make qualified decisions in keeping with the laws governing the Board's actions.

We regretfully saw the departure of long-time Board member and Chairman, Frances Washburn, who chose not to request reappointment when her term expired in March. We welcomed new member, James O'Der and two new Alternate members, Lyndon Avery and Keith Dube.

Respectfully submitted:

Richard Quindley, Chairman
Keith Chamberlain, Vice-Chairman
Marcella Perry
William Ryan
James O'Der
Stephen Paul, Alternate
Charles Westen, Alternate
Gregory Fuller, Alternate
Lyndon Avery, Alternate
Keith Dube, Alternate

REPORT OF LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION
2002 -- 2003

The Lakes Region has changed tremendously in the past 20 years. Homes and businesses have expanded along major roadways, and many of our communities have experienced dramatic change. This growth has resulted in a number of regional challenges. The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) is the area organization established to address the effects of growth at both the local and regional level. With a service area covering over 1,200 square miles in Belknap, Carroll, Grafton and Merrimack Counties, the LRPC provides a wide range of planning services to member municipalities. The Commission offers diverse direct and support services ranging from technical assistance, geographic information systems, and transportation planning, to land use and environmental planning, and economic development. The LRPC is primarily funded from local, state, and federal resources. We are contacted several times daily for answers to local issues. We also maintain a regular dialogue with state agencies as a resource for the entire Lakes Region. Our goal remains to provide support and leadership to the governments, businesses and citizens of the Lakes Region.

Here are some of our services performed on behalf of Alton and the region in the past fiscal year:

- Submitted traffic count information for two permanent traffic counter sites in Alton to local officials.

- Provided to the planning board chair examples of vision statements from three area towns, as requested.

- Researched and provided information to local officials on the requirements for a second hearing, according to RSA's, and whether a planning board can drop an amendment without holding a second hearing.

- Provided mailing list information to an Alton commissioner, as requested.

- Directed Town Planner to RSA's regarding applicability of proposed zoning changes when applications have not been considered complete by the Planning Board.

- Assisted local officials with efforts to increase usage of the Lakes Region Household Hazardous Product Facility.

- Ordered for the Alton Planning Board twenty-two copies of he 2003-2004 N.H. Planning and Land Use Regulation Books and seven CD/Publications at a considerable savings.

- Co-hosted and organized three public Municipal Law Lectures where practicing attorneys provide a legal perspective on local planning, zoning and other municipal issues. Recent lectures included: Growth Management and Smart Growth, Effective Enforcement of Local Land Use Decisions and Regulations, and Nonconforming Uses and Vested Rights. We also prepared for the 2003 Law Lectures, in partnership with the NH Municipal Association.

- Completed and distributed the Lakes Region Demographic Profile; a comprehensive compilation of key socioeconomic indicators from the US Census, and other data sources.

- Convened several meetings of the LRPC Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to enhance local involvement in transportation planning and project development. The TAC usually advises the LRPC on projects are of regional significance.

- Initiated the start of the Lakes Region Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. This planning effort will help provide a blueprint for the location of local bike and pedestrian routes.

- Hosted a National flood Insurance Program Workshop for Local Officials that provided an overview of the National Flood Insurance Program and training for local officials.

- With assistance from the Community Development Finance Authority (CDFA) SEED Capacity Grant, LRPC completed a number of work products including the Demographic Profile, coordination with area economic development organizations and Main Street communities, and the computerization of town-level economic development data.

- Reviewed project proposals through the NH Intergovernmental Review Agreement that provides the region and local communities an opportunity to respond to applications seeking state and federal aid. LRPC reviewed many proposals having a combined investment total greater than $16 million in the Lakes Region.

- Conducted over 160 traffic counts and several road inventories around the region, in cooperation with the NH Department of Transportation.

- Continued technical support to the Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee, in cooperation with the NH Department of Environmental Services.

- Convened four area Commission meetings that featured Natural Resources Planning: a Lakes Region perspective. The presentations were followed by facilitated discussions that identified issues and innovative natural resource initiatives.

- Planned the 18th annual household hazardous waste collection in the Lakes Region. In FY-04, two consecutive Saturdays were designated as collection days for the 24 participating communities. An estimated 20,000 total gallons of waste were collected, containerized, and transported to EPA approved end-of-life locations around the country.

- Updated the annual Development Trends in the Lakes Region, a survey of subdivision, housing construction, industrial, and commercial development.

- In consultation with the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), LRPC prepared, adopted, and submitted to the NH DOT the latest regional recommendations for Transportation Enhancement Funding.

- Represented the region on several committees including: the NH Transportation Enhancement Advisory Committee, the Statewide steering committee to update the NH Airport System Plan, the Belknap County Economic Development Council, the Northern Rail Task Force, among others.

- LRPC also continues to assist start-up efforts of the recently opened Lakes Region Household Hazardous Product Facility.

- Secured funding from the NH Emergency Management Bureau to assist local communities with the preparation of all hazard management plans.

REPORT OF THE DOWNTOWN REVITILAZTION COMMITTEE

In the Fall of 2003 the Downtown Revitalization Committee was formed, comprised of volunteers and a representative from the Planning Board and a representative from the Board of Selectmen.

As a follow-up to a charette, held in 2000, the primary goal of this committee has been to select a project where improvements would be beneficial to townspeople and visitors in the downtown area of the village. The former B&M Railroad yard, located behind the Town Hall, presented such a revitalization opportunity.

The vision for this area includes additional parking for Town employees and visitors, plus restoration of the 1896 Freight Building. Then as funds are raised possibly a mini walking path toward Ginny Douglas Park, and a safe area where parents with young children may play in a small play ground. Monies from grants and fund raising will be used to reach these goals.

The Alton Historical Society has a long term lease, with the Town, on the Freight building. The members of the Society will be actively participating in the future plans for the Freight building, possibly a future museum.

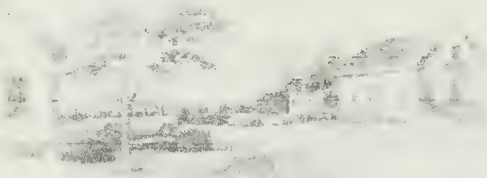
Committee meetings are scheduled for the first Monday of each month in the Town Hall. All are welcome to attend the meetings and share ideas about the proposed project.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Fry, Chairman
Cris Blackstone, Secretary
Bonnie Barsanti, Member
Robert Deroche, Sr., Member
Deanna O'Shaughnessy, Member
Elizabeth Varney, Member

Patricia Fuller, Selectmen's Representative
Thomas Varney, Planning Board Representative
Peer Kraft Lund, Town Planner, Advisor/Recorder
Russell Bailey, Town Administrator

Glimpses of the Past and Into the Future



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Summary of Findings and Recommendations

Safety Facilities Committee

Findings

- Alton's year 2003 estimated total population ranges from 7,269 in winter to 17,465 in summer. (These totals include second home and seasonal residents)
- Alton's year 2020 estimated total population ranges from 11,892 in winter to 27,485 in summer.
- The current Central Fire Station is in critical need of space for equipment and personnel which needs to be addressed immediately.
- The current Police Station is cramped and overcrowded and can go no longer than five years without becoming a critical and immediate need.
- A new Joint Safety Facility would be the ideal solution offering optimum joint operations management and sharing of assets. The 20,500 square foot facility would require 5 to 7 acres of land. The joint facility probably could be constructed on the existing Central Fire Station lot at the expense of relocating the tennis and basketball courts.
- Two new separate facilities would require: (a) an estimated 14,000 square foot facility on 3 to 5 acres for Fire/Rescue and (b) an estimated 9,000 square foot facility on 2 to 3 acres for Police. This appears to be the most expensive solution.
- It appears that both the existing Police Station and the existing Central Fire Station are expandable to meet future needs to 2020 and beyond. While there are issues to be dealt with in both cases, realistic options are available. This appears to be the least expensive solution.

Suggested Timeline

- Add a bay to the Central Fire Station in 2004
- Contract for Engineering Design Services in 2004
    1. Preliminary design and cost of rear two story addition to Central Fire Station.
    2. Preliminary design and cost for Police Station expansion
    3. Preliminary design and cost for Joint Safety Facility
- Final decision on solution(s) in 2005
- Contract for construction of selected design(s) in 2006 or 2007

Recommended Selectmen Actions

- Support a 2004 warrant article for an expansion to the central Fire Station that would add an additional 20'x40' bay.
- Support a 2004 warrant article for engineering services to develop preliminary design and cost estimates for the expansion and joint facility options.
- Support a 2004 warrant article to create a capital reserve fund for expansion of the existing Central Fire Station and the existing Police Station or construction of a Joint Safety Facility.

Alton Public Safety Building Committee

This committee was established by the Alton Board of Selectmen in response to reports of deficiencies in the current fire and police facilities. The committee was charged with validating/documenting the deficiencies and with developing solution concepts.

The committee began with preliminary meetings in November and December of 2002 and members were formally sworn-in in January 2003.

The committee membership as of the time of this report is as follows:

- Chuck Weston — Chairman
- Marcella Perry — Vice Chair and Planning Board Rep
- Russell Bailey — Town Administrator
- Richard Cunningham
- Kevin Iwans — Police Chief
- Alan Johnson — Fire Chief
- Peer Kraft-Lund — Town Planner
- Jay Meehan
- Alan Sherwood — Board of Selectmen Rep

Others that contributed through the year were:

- Chuck Anderson — Police Lieutenant
- Nina Dea Chambers — Budget Committee Rep
- Pat Fuller — Board of Selectmen Rep
- Russ Sample — Former Fire Chief
- Jim Washburn — Board of Selectmen Rep

REPORT OF PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR

Mission Statement: The Alton Parks and Recreation – Grounds and Maintenance Department offers a variety of programs and activities for recreation, personal development and leisure time enjoyment.

The Parks and Recreation –Grounds and Maintenance Department is located on Route 11 across from Levey Park. The Department is open 7:00am-3:30pm, Monday-Friday, year round. We employ one full-time Parks and Recreation Director, two full-time maintenance laborers and one part-time custodian. The department is responsible for organizing and implementing all of the Town's programs, activities and special events and also maintenance of Town Buildings and the beautification of green spaces and parks.

The Department offers many programs and activities for people of all ages. Programs we sponsor bring the community together, teach participants new life skills, offer places for social interaction, promote exercise and physical fitness and encourage continuing education. Some of the programs/events we offered this year included: Canoe and Kayak Race, 5K Road Race, Hiking and Biking Club, Walking Fitness Club, Outdoor Concerts at the Bandstand, Family Scavenger Hunt, Family Night Out, Town Wide Yard Sale, Old Home Day Craft Fair, Pre-School Activities, Youth Afternoon Activities, Youth- Full Day Activities, Mike Burke Volleyball Tournaments, Field Trips to the Ocean and Baseball game, Country Line Dancing Lessons, Senior Bingo, Swimming Lessons, Recreation Soccer League, Soccer Camp, Egg Hunt, Adult Softball League, Light Up Night, Shooter's Gold Basketball Camp, Ice Skating Party, After-School Programs and Teen Ice Cream Social.

In 2003 the Alton Parks and Recreation Department sponsored fifty-four programs and eleven special events. Reports reflect an increase in the number of programs offered and in participation over last year. In 2003, 3,770 people participated in programs and 6,290 people participated in Alton Parks and Recreation sponsored events. Please visit our web site for more program information: www.altonparksandrecreation.com.

The Parks and Recreation Department is planning for future needs and has proposed recommendations for Capital Improvement Projects to include: John Deere tractor to be used for lawn care and snow removal; department pickup truck to replace the exisiting truck; repair and maintenance of four exisiting boat dock fingers; paving the Jones Field parking lot; and development of a Town Beach. The Parks and Recreation Commission is working with the Town Beach Committee to recommend the purchase of land to develop into a Town Beach for the residents. The Town has limited access to the lakes in the area and the members view an accessible beach as a community need. The lakes are a core part of the Town and a community beach is something that the Town is missing.

I would like to thank and recognize all of the Town volunteers for their time and contribution to our department. Volunteers are an important part of the Town and through volunteer efforts our department is able to bring more programs to the residents and also improve our exisiting facilities. Liberty Tree Park received improvements this spring when Eagle Scout, Ben King completed work at the park for his Eagle Scout Project. Mr. King installed an accessible walkway, picnic tables, a trash container and prepared the park for court lighting. I would also like to thank the Garden Club, the Town Water, Highway and Fire Departments, Recreation League Soccer Coaches and the Parks and Recreation Commission members: William Lionetta, Melissa Wells, Jack Bernard, James Washburn and Fran Washburn who donate their valuable time and ideas to the community in order to provide valuable services, programs and facilities.

Alton Parks and Recreation Department- "Creating Community Through People, Parks and Programs."

Respectfully submitted,
Kellie Troendle, Certified Park and Recreation Professional
Parks and Recreation Director

REPORT OF THE LEVEY PARK TRUSTEES

In January, the trustees hired Waterman Tree Service to fell a large, dead pine at the southern end of park, out of safety concerns for trail hikers.

In the spring, all trails were cleared of winter debris plus a couple of fallen trees. The trustees continued the practice in recent years of purchasing shrub seedlings from the Belknap County Conservation District and planting them throughout the park. This year's selection included silky dogwood, red chokeberry, snowberry, and flowering quince. A total of forty seedlings were planted.

There was considerable winter damage to a section of retaining wall at the picnic area, causing a partial collapse. This section was roped off to prevent public access, and Harry Gordon, stonemason, hired to reconstruct the damaged portion.

Trail markers were installed along the new Merrymeeting River Trail. We are indebted to Claire Fitzgerald for supplying and planting flowers in front of the park memorial tablet.

A second coat of wood preservative was applied to all the wooden benches and fence that have been constructed in recent years.

Levey Park is open to the public from sunrise to sunset for picnicking, hiking, X-C skiing, and snowshoeing. No motorized vehicles of any kind are permitted, nor are open fires. Municipal well water is available during the warm weather months.

Respectfully Submitted

Richard N. Jones, Chairman

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FIRE CHIEF

In the last twelve months we have seen many changes in the Town, we have seen a marked increase in the number of inspections that the Fire and Rescue Department has been called upon to do. This is due in part to the fact that there has been an increase in the amount of new home starts this year. More homeowners are having wood stoves installed and their insurance company is asking that they have them inspected to assure that they are installed correctly.

In 2003 the Department responded to a total of 551 calls for service, this breaks down to 168 Fire calls (Forestry calls included), 330 EMS calls which include 51 motor vehicle calls, as well as 35 calls for service. The members of the Department spent 2734 hours training to increase their skill levels, they also spent 6,783 hours collectively at Fire and EMS calls. These responders all deserve a huge pat on the back for their commitment to serve and protect the citizens in our Town of Alton.
The Alton Fire and Rescue Department had a quiet Summer Forest Fire Season responding to only several Forestry calls for service.

We would like to thank the members of the Public Safety Building Committee for the time that they put into developing a proposal that will help the over crowding problems at both the Fire and the Police Departments. I would like to thank the Board of Fire Wards for their help and support, without which the Department would not have progressed to the level that it is now. We would like to thank Police Chief Kevin Iwans and Road Agent Ken Roberts for their departments' help in the past year.

The Department has ordered the new pumper truck that was approved at last years' Town Meeting; it will be a great addition to the Town and the Department. The truck will be able to carry 2500 gallons of water, will have both class A & B foam on it, and will be able to pump 2000 gallons of water per minute.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan Johnson
Fire Chief

REPORT OF THE POLICE CHIEF

What was the Year 2003 all about? For the police department, we saw the departure of Lt. Tracy Shattuck, who left to take the Chief's job as the Portsmouth Harbor Master for the State of New Hampshire. Officer Terrence Morgan resigned to start a career as a General Contractor. We hired Officer Richard Wright who came to us as a certified full-time police officer with a little more than a year's experience. He previously worked for the University of New Hampshire-Durham Police Department. He has a home here in Alton and says he loves living and working in Alton. Our Canine dog, Rom, has proven and paid for himself many times over. He has tracked burglary suspects to their homes and has assisted neighboring agencies as well. Rom is currently certified for tracking, articles searches, obedience, protection, and building searches. Rom will be heading off to school at the Boston Police Department to upgrade in drug detection work.

This year we actually saw a drop in the numbers for Calls for service by 507. The number of reported and investigated criminal offenses also went down by 8 reports; however, the total number of criminal non-related investigative incidences went up by 138 cases. The police statistically spent 27% percent of their time dealing with traffic related violations; 17% percent was spent on answering calls for criminal Offense reports; 04% percent was spent dealing with motor vehicle accidents; 42% percent of police time was spent dealing with non-criminal related service calls; 05% percent of the time police are dealing with physical arrests, and lastly, the remaining 5% percent had to do with family domestic issue calls.

The School's Resource Officer, Grant Nichols, has been quite busy. The School Resource Officer's position has proven to be a valued asset for both the police department in solving and preventing crimes, but also to the School's Administration in helping to maintain discipline. I know some of you are wondering just what does a School Resource Officer do? In short, Officer Nichols day is a complex one to say the least. Although Detective Nichols is a police officer, he has a role that is multi tasked. He is a liaison for the police to the school, but more importantly, he is there as a Mentor for the students. His primary purpose is to demonstrate and lead by example, the values and moral character that we as a Society value and try emulate in our daily walks. His role as the SRO is not meant to be that which is seen as just "enforcer," which many people have misconceived this as the ideology. And of course, he does enforce laws, investigate crime and arrest when necessary, but the essence of the program is to be an alternative resource to the students. He is there to listen when others won't, and to help out and guide when some shepherding, if that is the call of the day. The following is an example of the incidences and events the School Resource Officers has had to deal with in the Year 2003:

Counseling Students	62	Presentations to Classrooms	48
Motor Vehicle Violations	22	Confidential Case Work	18
Disorderly Conduct	17	After School Events	16
Truancy	13	Thefts	11
Bullying	08	Assaults	06
Child Abuse Investigations	05	Follow up Work	06
Youth to Youth Meetings	06	Work Study Times	05
SADD Meetings	05	Drug Possession	04
Fighting	04	Threats/Intimidation	04
Other Misc	03	Tobacco violations	03
Trespassing	03	Vandalism	05
Directed Observation	02	Alcohol	02
Defiance	01	Sex Offenses	01
Computer Crime	01	Weapons Possession	01
Drug Sale	01		

Alton Police Department Statistics

Calls for Service:	5,076
Incidents Reported:	2,138
Criminal Offenses:	797
Criminal Offense Felonies	66
Total Number of Cars Stopped:	1,393
Total Number of Motor Vehicle Accidents:	178

Total Number of Arrests:	134
Total Numbers of M/V Summons Issued:	212
Total Number of M/V Warnings Given:	1,178
Total Number of Juvenile Arrests:	31
Total Number of Protective Custody:	27

Kidnapping/Abductions	01
Reported Forcible Rape	01
Forced Fondling under 13 yrs of age	02
Robbery	01
Aggravated Assault	03
Simple Assaults	31
Intimidation/Harassment Calls	25
Burglary/Break-ins	16
Shoplifting	01
Theft from Motor Vehicles	14
Theft from Buildings	04
Theft of Vehicle Parts	02
Other Larcency	09
Motor Vehicle Theft	04
Forgery	04
False Pretense	69
Credit Card Fraud	02
Impersonation of Identity	01
Other Stolen Property Offenses	02
Vandalism	90
Narcotic Drug Offenses	12
Incest	01
Reported Statutory Rape	03
Obscene Material	02
Weapon Violations	02
Bad Checks	10
Disorderly Conduct	13
Driving Under the Influence	26
Drunkenness	20
Crimes Against the Family	02
Liquor Law	17
Runaways	07
Trespass	34
All other criminal Offense/Ordinances	125
Traffic law other than violations	245

REPORT OF THE ALTON WATER WORKS

The primary goal of the Water Works is to provide safe clean drinking water in sufficient quantities to meet the current demand of our system users and to plan for future increases in the demand on the system.

Presently the Water Works operates two well/pumping stations located at Levey Park and on Route 140 near the fire station. The Levey Park station can produce approximately 300 gallons per minute (GPM) and has treatment facilities. The Route 140 station can produce approximately 160 GPM. During 2002, the well/pumping stations combined, delivered 65 million gallons of treated water into the distribution pipes of our system. The pumping station on Route 140 near the fire station is used solely as a back up if the Levey Park pump fails.

To insure safe drinking water the Water Works conduct monthly bacteria testing as required. A considerable number of other tests are also taken during the year. We are pleased to report that our drinking water is safe to drink and meets or exceeds federal and state standards as specified by the 1996 Amendments to the Safe Drinking Water Act.

The new Jones Field well is nearing completion with the constriction of the pump house scheduled for spring. We will be pumping water from this well sometime in February. An open house is going to be held this summer.

During 2003, we replaced the water main on Old Wolfeboro Road as well as all the water services. A new main was also installed from the Jones Field well to Main Street at the intersection at Letter S Road. Three new fire hydrants were installed, one each on Mooney Street, Letter S. Road and Old Wolfeboro Road. A number of other services were also replaced.

Some ongoing projects include the meter replacement program with 45 meters being replaced, and the summer line replacement with approximately 800' of line replaced.

In closing, the Water Works would like to thank the residents for their continued support. We would like to request your assistance by reporting water leaks and other problems as soon as possible. If you have any problems or questions, please call our office at 875-4200 or drop by on Route 140 next to the fire station.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Quindley, Superintendent

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY AGENT

I wish to thank the residents of Alton for their support of the Highway Department because without it we would be unable to do our jobs. Your telephone calls have been appreciated and help us identify small problems before they become big ones. Because of budget restraints, we are not always able to correct items immediately and they are put into long term plans. Please continue to call and help us make Alton a better place to live.

HIGHWAY PROJECTS 2003

Dudley Road 5,000 Ft.	Ditches and pavement
Jewett Farm Road	Overlayment
Mauhaut Shores Road	Aprons
Acorn Street	Aprons
Haven Lane	Aprons
Stockbridge Corner Road	Blasting of Edge
Town Pit	Work at Septic Lagoons
Alton Mountain Road	99% Complete
Old Wolfeboro Road	25% Complete

HIGHWAY PROJECTS 2004

Old Wolfeboro Road	
Dudley Road	
Spring Street	
Stockbridge Corner	Blasting

I would like to thank my crew at the Highway Department for their hard work, you are the individuals who make things happen. The 110% that is needed to do this type of work. THANK YOU!

My appreciation to also extended to the employees of other departments for their support in the betterment of Alton.

PLEASE REMEMBER, PUBLIC SAFETY IS OUR NUMBER ONE CONCERN

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth G. Roberts, Highway Agent

Alton Town Roads

Name	Map	Class	Feet	Surface
Abednego Road	5	5	1,848'	chip
Acorn Drive	65/66	5	710'	gravel
Africa Road	1/3	6	8,475'	gravel
Alton Mountain	10/11	5	19,130'	paved
Alton Shores Rd	10/71	5	5,221'	chip/gravel
Anniversary Hill Road	65	5	492'	chip
Appleyard Lane	28	5	365'	paved/gravel
Avery Hill Road	7/10	5	15,417'	chip
Barnes Avenue	27/28	5	1,158'	chip
Bartlett Road	2	5	786'	gravel
Bay Hill Road	11/12	5	4,727'	concrete/gravel
Beaver Dam Road	10/71	5	1,725'	chip
Bell Road	49/50	5	400'	chip
Bowman Road	14/15	5	1,478'	paved/gravel
Chamberlain Road	3/6	5	4,013'	gravel
Chesley Road	15	5	1,677'	gravel
Chestnut Cove Road	14/15	5	10,505'	concrete
Church Street	27/28	5	934'	paved
Coffin Brook Road	5	5	12,564'	chip
Cook Road	1	5	2,986'	gravel
Curtis Court	37	5	500'	gravel
Dan Kelly Drive	11/35	5	313'	paved
Davis Road	7/10	5	4,224'	gravel
Depot Road	27	5	724'	paved
Drew Hill Road	12/15	5	16,944'	paved/gravel
Dudley Road	2/4	5	10,779'	gravel
Echo Point Road	40/41	5	2,640'	paved/gravel
Elliot	28/30	5	898'	gravel
Farmington Road	50	5	135'	paved
Fort Point Road	14/18	5	180'	paved
Frohock Road	10/69	5	1,585'	gravel
Garden Park Road	60	5	250'	paved
Gedney Court	41	5	469'	paved
Gilman's Corner Road	15/18	5	6,509'	paved/gravel
Grandview Lane	4	5	977'	paved
Halls Hill Road	4/5	5	7,680'	paved
Hamwoods Road	2/3	5	7,843'	paved
Haven Lane	65/66	5	397'	paved
Hayes Road	19	5	4,269'	gravel
Hidden Springs Road	15	5	272'	paved
Hollywood Beach Road	2/2a	5	4,530'	paved
Homestead Place	9/26	5	475'	paved

Horne Road	4/5	5	2,632'	gravel
Hurd Hill Road	15	5	1,311	paved
Hutchin's Circle	29	5	535'	paved
Jesus Valley Road	14/50	5	6,678	gravel
Jewett Farm Road	11/33	5	844'	paved
Jones Field Road	8/30	5	350'	gravel
Lakewood Drive	11/38	5	4,350'	paved
Lane Drive	5	5	1,210'	gravel
Legal Lane	54	5	370'	paved
Letter S Road	30/31	5	4,060'	paved
Lily Pond Road	12	5	4,808'	gravel
Lockes Corner Road	1	5	3,630'	paved
Loon Cove Road	49/50	5	960'	paved
Lot Line Road	5/6	5	1,275'	gravel
Marlene Drive	71	5	851'	gravel
Mauhaut Shores Road	61/62	5	2,420'	gravel
Meaderboro Road	1	5	3,820'	gravel
Meadow Drive	9	5	424'	gravel
Melody Lane	59	5	200'	gravel
Mingie Cove Road	59/60	5	4,259'	paved
Mirimichie Hill Road	15/15	5	800'	gravel
Monument Square Road	29	5	750'	paved
Mooney Street	29	5	866'	paved
New Durham Road	9/26	5	10,752'	paved
Old Wolfeboro Road	8/12	5	18,885'	paved /gravel
Pearson Road	29/31	5	1,412'	paved
Pine Street	28	5	1,385'	paved/gravel
Places Mill Road	7/10	5	3,962'	gravel
Pond Road	19	5	1,470'	gravel
Powder Mill Road	12	5	10,790'	chip
Prospect Mountain Road	2/2a	5	16,883'	paved/gravel
Quarry Road	15/18	5	1,980'	gravel
Rail Road Avenue	63/65	5	4,500'	paved
Rand Hill Road	11/32	5	11,780'	paved
Range Road	9/26	5	3,815'	paved
Reed Road	16	5	2,779'	paved
Rines Road	19/21	5	10,714'	gravel
Riverlake Street	32	5	1,978'	paved
Riverside Drive	28/30	5	1,280'	paved
Roberts Cove Road	18/19	5	14,204'	paved
Roger Street	54	5	1,785'	paved
Rollins Road	62	5	2,336'	gravel
Route 11D	17/50	5	17,332'	paved
Sanctuary lane	11/37	5	1,848'	gravel
School Street	27/28	5	1,675'	paved
Smith Point Road	63/64	5	5,045'	paved

Southview Lane	14	5	975'	paved
Spring Street	11/34	5	3,300'	paved
Stagecoach Road	19/21	5	400'	gravel
Stocbridge Corner Road	2/4	5	25,800'	paved
Swan Lake Trail	11	5	1,600'	paved
Tom Road	19/21	5	1,600'	gravel
Trask Side Road	14/18	5	10,216'	paved
Valley Road	6	5	2,700'	paved
Wallsten Road	58	5	940'	gravel
Water Street	2a	5	1,300'	gravel
Woodlands Road	55/56	5	8,750'	chip
Youngtown Road	8	5	4,730'	paved

Alton Highway Department
Letter S Road

Alton Private Roads

Name

Acadia Lane
Andreson Drive
Angle Sea Lane
Annie Way
Anthony Avenue
Archie Lane
Aqua Vue Lane
Austin Road
Autumn Avenue
Axon Lane
Bachelor Drive
Back Bay Path
Baileys Lane
Baker Road
Barbara Drive
Barr Road
Basin Road
Baxter Place
Beach Street
Beacon Avenue
Bear Pond Road
Bender Lane
Bickford Lane
Big Barndoor Isl.
Black Point Road
Boat Cove Road
Bonny Drive
Brad Circle
Brandy Terrace
Brickyard Cove Road
Broadway Boulevard
Brook & Bridle Lane
Butler Drive
Camp Advenchur Road
Camp Brook Woods Road
Camp kabeyun Road
Campfire Circle
Cascade Terrace
Cates Hill Road
Cathy Lane
Central Street

Charles Circle
Chickadee Lane
Chipmunk lane
Circle Road
Clark Road
Clay Point Road
Clough Point Road
Coast Lane
Contentment Lane
Cottage Point
County Road
Courtyard Circle
Cove Point Road
Cragin Road
Cub Island
Damon Drive
Dewitt Drive
Diners Place
Donald Lane
Downing Drive
Eagles Way
Edgerly Road
Ehlen Way
Elm Street
Eugene Drive
Eunice lane
Falcon Drive
Fernhill Drive
Finethy Road
Fisher Road
Fitzgerald Avenue
Forties Row
Fred Lane
Georges Road
Gerald Drive
Getcho Pit Road
Ginny Drive
Glen Avenue
Goulds Road
Grants Road
Hallin Court
Hamish Lane
Happy Hollow
Hasenfuss Lane
Hawk Drive
Hazlett Road

Headley Avenue
Hermit Road
Heron Lane
Herrick Lane
Hillside Drive
Holly Lane
Holmwood Drive
Hopewell Road
Indian Shores Road
Interlaken Road
Issac Way
Jacklin Lane
Johnson Lane
Jude Hill Road
Juliet lane
Keewaydin Drive
Kenerson lane
Kent Locke Circle
Kimball Lane
Knights Pond Road
Lady Slipper lane
Lamper Road
Lamprey Ledge Road
Lancer Lane
Lantana lane
Larry Drive
Laura lane
Ledge Hill Road
Leigh Lane
Leighton Mills Drive
Levitt Road
Lindsay Road
Lionel Terrace
Litch lane
Lttle Barndoor Island
Little Mark Island
Loud Road
Loveren Lane
Mallard Drive
Manbow Road
Manchester Avenue
Marietta Drive
Marsha Drive
Mattleman Lane
Mcleod Road
Mckone lane

Merrymeeting Lane
Mill Cove Road
Mission Path
Misty Lane
Mitchell Avenue
Moose Island
Mt. Pleasant Path
Nancy Court
Nelson's Pine Point
New Bay Street
Notla lane
Nowicki Point Road
Oak Hill Road
Old Camp Road
Olive Street
O'Neill Road
Orchard lane
Osprey Road
Palm Lane
Parandes Drive
Park Street
Peggy's Cove Road
Perkins Road
Peter's Path
Piper's Point Lane
Plummer lane
Point Beach Lane
Potvin Place
Proctor Road
Pumpkin Point Road
Red Sands Lane
Richardson Drive
Rocky Lane
Rum Point Road
Russell Way
Saley Way
Sand Peep Lane
Sawmill Brook Road
Scott Drive
Shields Way
Ship Island
Shore Road
Silver Cascade
Sleepers Island
Spokies Way
Sport Emery Road

Spruce Terrace
Star Lane
Stephanie Drive
Summit Avenue
Swatfield Road
Temple Drive
Tibbetts Road
Timberidge Road
Towle Road
Torelli Terrace
Tranquility Lane
Treasure Island
Treetop Lane
Tufts Terrace
Varney Road
Verna Lane
Village place
Virginia Court
West Alton Marina Road
Wayside Place
Wendy Drive
Wentworth Way
Widerstrom Lane
Wilbert Way
Wind Swept lane
Winni Avenue
Winter Way
Ymca Road

REPORT OF SOLID WASTE CENTER

2003 sure went by fast! We were busy in the past year, especially with demolition. July was our busiest month with demo at 167 tons. The slowest month was in February with 75 tons of Solid waste and 35 tons of demolition materials.

Demolition took a jump in tonnage in May are remained well above 130 tons through December. By comparison in 2002, records of demolition materials show that from May until December we were below 100 tons and this reflects on how much building construction is taking place in Alton.

Just a reminder, its time for new permit stickers. These may be purchased in the Town Clerk's office at the Town hall or at the Solid Waste Center. The cost is one dollar per sticker, and they are good for 2 years.

Please recycle, it saves the Town money and it is mandatory.

I closing, I would like to thank the people of Alton who use the facility and my staff who keep everything clean and running smoothly.

Listed Below is a breakdown of recyclables:

Solid Waste	1536 Tons
Demo	1315 Tons
Metal	197 Tons
Aluminum Cans	9 Tons
Tin Cans	36 Tons
Plastic	33 Tons
Mixed Paper	84 Tons
Cardboard	66 Tons
Glass	120 Tons
Tires (ea)	1020
Propane	428 Tanks
Fluorescent Lights	1500 Feet

Respectfully Submitted
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Executive Councilor
District One

Report to the People of District One
By Ray Burton, Executive Councilor

It is a pleasure to report to you now in my 25th year of serving the 98 towns, 4 cities and Coos, Carroll, Grafton, Sullivan and Belknap counties of New Hampshire. All together there are 249, 000 people who I consider my customers, clients and constituents. It has always been a pleasure to respond, as my duties within the Executive Branch of your state government mandate, to inquiries for information, relief and assistance as provided in NH state law and budget. It is an honor to serve you as a public servant.

Below are listed several documents that are available to citizens and I find them to be a valuable NH resource.

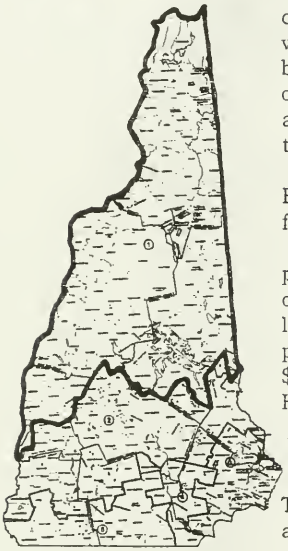
The 2003-2004 state telephone directory of state departments and personnel. This 180 page directory includes TDD access numbers, office information, coordinators, map of location of state buildings, legislative listings, judicial branch listings, department listings, personnel listing and a topical listing. This is available for a cost of $6.00 plus $2.50 postage. Make checks payable to the State of New Hampshire, or order on line at www.gencourt.state.nh.us\visitorcenter. The entire directory is available at http://www.state.nh.us/government/agencies.html

The 2003-04 NH County Directory of all NH County officials is free and available by calling (603) 224-9222. This is also on the web at www.nhcounties.org

Also available at no cost from the Secretary of State Office at 271-3242 or at elections@sos.state.nh.us, or mail at Secretary of State, State House Room 204, Concord, NH 03301 are the following publications:
The NH Election Procedural Manual for 2004-2005
The NH Election Laws for 2004-2005
The NH Political calendar for 2004-2005

The duties of the NH Executive Council, The NH Tour Guide book, the official tourist map and the NH Constitution are always available from my office at 271-3632 or 747-3662 or ray.burton4@gte.net

As long as I'm around as one of your elected officials never ever feel you are alone in your hour of need. Contact me anytime!



Towns in Council District #1

CARROLL COUNTY:

Albany, Bartlett, Chatham, Conway, Eaton, Effingham, Freedom, Hart's Loc., Jackson, Madison, Moultonborough, Ossipee, Sandwich, Tamworth, Tuftonboro, Wakefield, Wolfeboro,

GRAFTON COUNTY:

Alexandria, Ashland, Bath, Benton, Bethlehem, Bridgewater, Bristol, Campton, Canaan, Dorchester, Easton, Ellsworth, Enfield, Franconia, Grafton, Groton, Hanover, Haverhill, Hebron, Holderness, Landaff, Lebanon, Lincoln, Lisbon, Livermore, Littleton, Lyman, Lyme, Monroe, Orange, Orford Piermont, Plymouth, Rumney, Sugar Hill, Thornton, Warren, Waterville Valley, Wentworth, Woodstock

BELKNAP COUNTY:

Alton, Belmont, Center Harbor, Gilford, Laconia, Meredith, New Hampton, Sanbornton, Tilton

COOS COUNTY:

Berlin, Carroll, Clerksville, Colebrook, Columbia, Dalton, Dixville, Dummer, Errol, Gorham, Jefferson, Lancaster, Milan, Millsfield, Northumberland, Pittsburg, Randolph, Shelburne, Stewartstown, Stark, Stratford, Whitefield

SULLIVAN COUNTY:

Charlestown, Claremont, Cornish, Croydon, Grantham, Newport Plainfield, Springfield, Sunapee

REPORT OF THE GILMAN LIBRARY

In January 2003 we started the process of revising policies and assigning new library cards to all patrons and updating our patron records while doing so. To date (1/13/2004) 1,437 new library cards have been issued.
We appreciate your patience as we undergo this process that can seem confusing at times. However, when automation is completed we will be able to provide faster service and more complete information to our patrons.

The Gilman Library continually strives to provide valuable information to our community. In an effort to answer the many questions we receive regarding who, what, where and how, we have created a" Local Information Directory". If you are looking for a specific service or organization you may want to browse through this directory that contains a wide variety of topics. Two examples of sources provided in the "Information Directory" are Home Schooling Family Connections and Snow Removal. Those who provide a service to our community you are welcome to leave a business card at the circulation desk and we would be happy to include it in our directory.

Many thanks to all of you who have displayed your "special collection" in our library either in the form of an artistic collection to decorate our walls or a collection placed under glass in our display case located near the circulation desk. New ideas are always welcome. We will continue to display any special collections that you may be willing to share with the community in the year 2004.

We have included some books on compact disc and music on compact disc as part of our library collection. These items may be checked out for three weeks at a time provided they are not on a waiting list. We welcome donations of CD's that are in good condition to help expand our collection.

Here at the Gilman Library we are still talking about books. The book discussion group (Alton's Book Chat) meets on the second Monday of each month at 6:30 PM to discuss a book of their choice. Meetings are usually held in the Agnes Thompson Meeting Room at the Gilman Library. New members are always welcome.

Gift Certificates are now available and may be used to purchase a library card for family or friends who are not residents of Alton. You may use gift certificates to purchase a brass bookmarks, bicentennial posters, Alton Afghans, Alton Village Collectibles, commemorative bricks, canvas book bags, and t-shirts are still available for purchase and it is not too late to "Adopt a Plant, Tree, or Shrub".

Story hour for children ages 3-5 is held on Wednesday afternoons from 1:30 to 2:15 PM. Those who attend enjoy stories, songs and crafts. We commend our Assistant Librarian, Cindy Miller, and our "story hour moms" Linda Labbe, Shay Bennett, Deborah Gagne, Kristy Parzaile, Jack Jamison, Karen Petelle, Katelyn Gilbert, Kim Buffington, and Kimberly Gannon for all they

have done to help instill a love and appreciation for books, reading and learning in our little people. We wish to thank our " Story Hour Moms" for making story hour a great success.

The Friends of the Gilman Library continue to be a tremendous asset to the library. As in the past, they have continued their efforts to "make the Gilman Library the best it can be" by donating time and refreshments to various meetings, programs and events throughout the year. The following committees worked to benefit the library:

1. Decorating Comm. - To decorate the library during the holiday season.
2. Fund Raising Ideas Comm. - money was generated through the sale of calendars, T-shirts and canvas book bags, a car wash and a book, bag and bake sale.
3. Refreshment Comm. - to contact various members for donations of baked goods to be provided during sponsored programs and events.

Officers of the Friends of the Gilman Library include Co-Chairmen - MaryBee Longabaugh and Barbara Ingoldsby, Treasurer - Shirley Bishop, Secretary - Dot Folsom and Corresponding Secretary - Pat Merrill. We extend our sincere thanks to all members of the Friends of the Gilman Library for another wonderful year.

SPECIAL EVENTS

In honor of Valentine's Day, the Gilman Library "celebrated our love of books" thru the week of February 08th –15th. We celebrated in two ways. First, by holding a special book sale. Second, by accepting all overdue books free of late fees. This sale was a great success. Special thanks to all who took part in this event.

The Gilman Library participated in the Town-Wide Yard sale by holding a "Book It, Bag It and Bake It" sale. Friends of the Gilman Library Canvas Book bags could be purchased for five dollars and filled with books free of charge or a plastic bag could be filled for one dollar. Delicious baked goods, donated by members of the Friends of the Gilman Library and many others, were also available for a nominal fee.

This year's summer reading program entitled "Reading Rocks The Granite State" was a great success. There were 72 children enrolled in the program and approximately 799 books read. Summer Readers enjoyed over 734 hours of reading books, magazines and newspapers. Many more children took part in the program through answering weekly trivia questions, participating in guessing games, completing word search and crossword puzzles and entering the coloring contest. Participants, friends and family members celebrated summer reading with singer/storyteller Steve Blunt. We look forward to another wonderful program next year!!

The Friends of the Gilman Library held their 2nd Annual Car Wash on Saturday, July 19, 2003 from 9 AM to 1 PM. Special thanks go to members of The Friends of the Gilman Library who worked so hard to make this happen and to those members of the community who took part through allowing us to give their car a bath. We are forever grateful to our friends and our community for supporting us and for helping to make the Gilman Library the "best it can be".

Our Annual Mum Sale, held on September 20th and 21st, at the Gilman Library was a great success. We wish to thank all of you who took part in this year's mum sale through volunteering to help with the sale and/or through making a purchase. We are very grateful to Sunflower Gardens, Rte. 28 So. Alton, for providing the glorious mums, and for making a very generous donation to the Gilman Library Building Fund. Words alone cannot express how much we appreciate the support of the Friends of the Gilman Library, Sunflower Gardens and our community. Proceeds go toward the Gilman Library Building Fund and are used for library automation.

Once again, the Friends of the Gilman Library demonstrated their expertise and dedication to our library through hosting our fourth annual Holiday Tea, which was held on Tuesday, December 09, 2003. Friends, patrons and library staff enjoyed refreshments and holiday music presented by members of the Alton Central School Band and Chorus. Our most sincere thanks go to everyone who took part in the Holiday Tea through decorating the library for the holidays, preparing for the tea, delivering refreshments, providing entertainment or for attending.

LIBRARY PROGRAMS

The Gilman Library received three grants through the New Hampshire Humanities Council for the year 2003. As a result, the following programs were made possible;
"A Joyful Noise. Sounding Brass and Tinkling Cymbal: The Late 19th Century New England Town Band." Presented by David Proper.
(Sponsored by the NH Humanities Council and the Friends of the Gilman Library)
"An Evening of Yankee Humor" Presented by Rebecca Rule.
(Sponsored by The NH Humanities Council, The Friends of the Gilman Library and The Alton Historical Society)
"Bringing Home the Last of Her Breed" Presented by Dave Switzer.
(Sponsored by The NH Humanities Council and The Friends of the Gilman Library)

Other programs that were held at the Gilman Library include;

"Styles Bridges: Yankee Senator" Presented by James Kiepper
(Sponsored by The Oliver J.M. Gilman Lyceum Fund and The Friends of the Gilman Library)
"The Union Forever! A Civil War Living History" Presented by Charles W. Canney Camp #5 The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.
(Sponsored by The Gilman Library and The Friends of The Gilman Library)
"Herbal Tea Blending" with Merry Lineweber
(Sponsored by The Friends of the Gilman Library)
"Quilting in Alton" Presented by The Alton Quilter's Club.
(Sponsored by the Friends of the Gilman Library)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Volunteerism plays a large part of what makes our wonderful library run smoothly. Without the exceptional efforts of our volunteer staff managing the library would not be possible. Regular volunteers include Cathy Fraser, Nancy Jordan, Dot Folsom, Pat Merrill, Terry Gilmore, Kathi Hopper, Daryl Czech and Peg Kayser, Other volunteers who were on hand to help with special events were Shirley Copeland, Nancy Jordan, Gene Rogers, Mildred Cropper, Cynthia Watkins and Bunny Weeden.. Regular and temporary volunteers have worked a total of 1,216 hours in the year 2003. This includes hours worked by "story hour moms" mentioned earlier in this report.

Various organizations, clubs and individuals throughout the year used the Agnes Thompson meeting room. Users include the Alton Garden Club, the Alton Historical Society, the Friends of the Gilman Library, the PTSA, the Book Discussion Group, the United Association, the Quilter's Club, etc. The total number of meetings and programs held in the library in 2003 was 113.

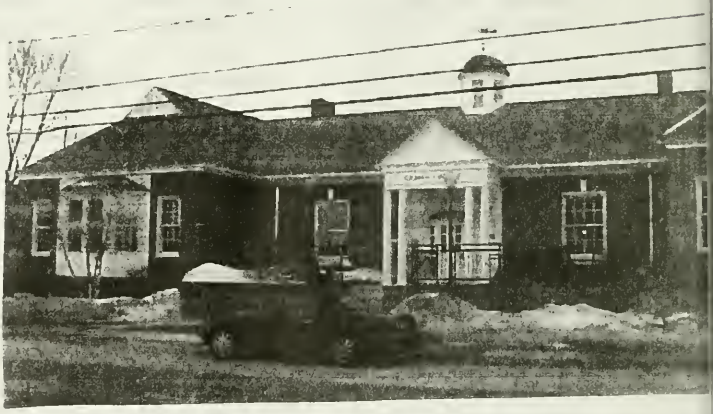
In addition to regular duties associated with the library, the Assistant Librarian attended 5 Friends of the Gilman Library meetings.
The Librarian attended 3 RALI meetings, 6 Friends of the Gilman Library meetings, 1 Chilis meeting, 2 NHLA meetings and 3 meetings pertaining to the budget for the Gilman Library. The Librarian is the Secretary for the Gilman Library Trustees and the Secretary for the Rochester Area Library Cooperative.

The purpose of the Gilman Library is to enrich the quality of life through nurturing the joy of reading and lifelong learning by addressing the informational, educational and recreational needs of the community.

Through the year 2004 we will continue to "make the Gilman Library the best it can be" and will remain eternally grateful for the support of our community.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly Brown
Librarian



GILMAN LIBRARY
GENERAL STATISTICS
2003

Circulation – 29,702

Library Card Holders – 1,437

Meeting Room Activity (meeting and program attendance)- 827
(Meetings and programs scheduled)- 113

Library Collection – 15,958

REPORT OF THE HAROLD S. GILMAN MUSEUM

In 2003 the Museum continued the process of cataloging the extensive collections given to the Town of Alton by Harold S. and Pearl S. Gilman. The extensive multi faceted project begun two years ago to identify, document and label over a thousand individual pieces has reached the two third mark in the this initial phase. Using Museum standards and a searchable database for public access the method and process of caring for this unique resource has become a priority for the Gilman Museum Committee. Newly designed storage and monitoring of heat and humidity has further assured the future conservation of these collections. As the process unfolded items were identified for immediate conservation. Conservation and restoration continues to be a part of the work undertaken by the Museum Committee. This year friends of the Museum offered their expertise in the restoration and conservation of two important collections. Don Irving has begun the restoration of the Museums timepieces. First on the list an 1840 Banjo clock by Howard and Davis of Boston and a 1710 tall case clock by Fromanteel and Clark of London. The Museum's clock collection represents advances in time keeping technology over two hundred years. Robert Varney contributed his talent to the restoration of a unique steam engine toy that highlights the advancing industrial revolution here in the United States in the 1870's.

The Museum was open Wednesday and Saturday from 10 am to 2 pm through out the summer season. With a curator on site during the week numerous guests were accommodated by appointment and as drop in guests.

The 2003 summer season began with Memorial Day Open house and a review of the Museum's new exhibit, "*Alton's Summer Visitors, Farms and their Boarders, 1875-1900*". The Boston and Maine Railroad made 5 regular stops a day in Alton and Alton Bay bringing families from cities in Massachusetts and beyond to "Lake Winnipiseogee, Lake, whose waters serve as a lovely ornament to the scenery of this region, and as a means of recreation and amusement to the multitude who pass and repass upon them." Images of farms and their boarders along with models of Alton's railroad station and the Mount Washington helped illustrate the burgeoning tourist economy over 100 years ago.

As part of a new initiative to support the work of our educators an object based learning program was developed in conjunction with teachers in Alton's schools. On June 16th and 17th 30 children along with teachers and chaperones had an opportunity to participate in a program based on the summer exhibit. The Museum provided a thematic presentation, encouraged student participation, and a package of background material for both the teachers and students that included a reproduction of an 1886 ticket on the Boston and Maine railroad to Alton.

In celebration of Alton's Old Home Days, the Gilman Museum in cooperation with the Alton Parks and Recreation Department sponsored an Old Fashioned Doll Carriage and Bicycle Parade for children ages 3 – 7 years of age at the Alton Bay Bandstand followed by hand cranking their own ice cream. The day began with children's activities that

included a heritage craft and a round of lawn croquet at the Museum in Monument Square.

In November a member of the New Hampshire Quilt Documentation Project Phase II traveled to Alton to document and appraise three significant quilts in the Museum's textile collection. With the help of local Quilt Shop owner, Linda Monasky and Quilt expert Julie Crossland the three quilts were documented and photographed as part of the this effort to "document research and preserve the history of Quilts in New Hampshire made through 1976". Future plans call for a display of antique and vintage quilts and the publication of a book about New Hampshire's quilts. The crazy quilt made for Pearl S. Bassett Gilman along with the extensive documentation of each of the family and friends who made the quilt make this Alton treasure a possible candidate for inclusion in the forth-coming book.

Governor Craig Benson designated by proclamation November 2-9 2003 as New Hampshire Archives Week. The Harold S. Gilman Museum in collaboration with the Town Of Alton and the Alton Historical Society jointly sponsored an exhibit in the Town Hall to demonstrate their commitment to the identification, collection, organization, preservation and maintenance of Alton's historical and cultural heritage.

The Harold S. Gilman Museum Committee would like to thank the volunteers who gave generously of their time and talent throughout the year as guides during the summer, as collection assistants, and as exhibit installation crews. With out their dedication this extraordinary year would not have happened. We want to acknowledge The Trustees of the Trust Fund for their support of this important work, Barbara Gilman for her dogged research that has helped bring Alton's history to life, the Alton Garden Club for the work they do, summer and winter, making this community look inviting to visitors, the Alton Highway Department for their generosity, and Jamie Rockwood our custodian for being there. Many friends of the Museum contributed items from their personal collections for exhibit here along with their insights in to the town's history; among them, Kathy and Mike Currier, Joan M. ReRoche, Elizabeth Varney, Mr. and Mrs. Washburn, Patricia Rockwood, Robert Varney, and Don Irving. And our appreciation to the citizens of Alton and all of Alton's Town officials; your kindness and support sustains the work we do.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Currier, Chairman

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

The year 2003 ends with seventeen cremations, thirteen burials for a total of thirty burials. Twenty-one lots were sold, plus one cremation lot in the Alyssum Gardens.

We have a new caretaker, Mr. David Quindley who began work in June. He has done outstanding work and the cemeteries were beautifully kept due to his diligence.
We were fortunate to have David and Bob Witham working together. The inside of the garage located on Rte. 28. was painted. The caps of the stonewall were scraped and painted. The extended land on Rte. 28 was cleared of debris and brush.

The Trustees and caretakers are grateful to Barbara Gilman for the many hours she volunteered to attend the flowers both inside and outside the gates of the cemetery. Under Barbara's care and guidance, the cemetery had beautiful gardens to look upon all year. We extend our heartfelt thanks to Barbara.

Most visitors are obeying the "One-Way" signs at the Riverside Cemetery on Main Street. Thank you for your cooperation. It makes it much easier to enter and exit the Cemetery, and we hope this has proved beneficial for those who visit the cemetery.

Persons who visit the gravesites at Old Riverside Cemetery should **NOT** drive stakes in ground, the cemetery has water pipes installed underground for our sprinkler system. If you puncture the water lines you will be billed for damages.

The Trustees meet the first and third Wednesday at the Town Hall.

The cemetery department will open April 1st and close December 1st. Ground conditions will determine when we will be able to schedule burials.

Respectfully submitted,
Shirley A. Lane Chairman

REPORT OF ALTON COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM

I would like to thank the volunteers, the many people and organizations who have donated food monies to make the Alton Community Services Program (A.C.S.P.) so successful.

It is our goal to reach more families this year. The community gives an average of forty-five baskets at Thanksgiving and Christmas. The Food Pantry would like to be able to reach all families in need. We serve 13 families on a weekly basis. Did you know the eligibility guidelines to receive USDA Surplus Commodities for a household size of 1, is $16,613 a year, please review the list below. Hopefully more of our welfare recipients will make use of the pantry.

Our volunteers will meet with clients any time of the day if given ample notice. Please call 875-CARE(2273), leave a message and your call will be returned.

If you have offered to volunteered in the past and have not been called, please call again!! It is not our intention to slight anyone who so graciously offered. We are still in the process of organizing our office and should have a computer soon to better assist us with office management and serving our clients.

Our goal remains to provide relief to the distressed and under privileged in our community. We strive to meet their physical and spiritual needs, we provide them with food, clothing and furniture. We also refer clients to many organizations for assistance.

The following figures represent amounts received and expenditures for 2003:

SVDP	$6,300
Churches	4,500
Others	(undisclosed)
ACSP	3,500

Net Income as of October 31, 2003	$18,033.20
Expenses	16,593.45

We appreciate the donations of food and your financial support. Please remember us in your prayers that we may continue to be of service.

Old Eskimo Proverb: Yesterday is ashes; tomorrow is wood. Only today does the wood burn brightly.

Respectfully submitted
Dorothye S. Wentworth, Director

INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES
USDA SURPLUS COMMODITIES

(Effective July 1, 2003)

Household Size	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly
1	$16,613	$1,385	$320
2	22,422	1,869	432
3	28,231	2,353	543
4	34,040	2,837	655
5	39,849	3,321	767
6	45,658	3,805	879
7	51,467	4,289	990
8	57,276	4,773	1,102
Each Additional Family Member	+5,809	+485	+112

Fuel Assistance
Women, Infants and Children (WIC)
Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)
Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)
Aid to Permanently and Totally Disabled (APTD)
Homeless
Food Stamps

Medicaid (State Welfare)
Aid to the Needy Blind
Old Age Assistance
Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
Subsidized Housing (Rental Subsidy, County, City or Town Welfare)

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REPORT OF THE ALTON FIRE DEPARTMENT AUXILIARY

The Alton Firemen's Auxiliary, known as 'The Fireflies', have had another very busy and productive Christmas Season with the Mrs. Santa Program. We began collecting in November. This year as in the past many caring people made donations of money, and many gifts of toys and clothing were received. The contributions of time, energy and enthusiasm of those who volunteer to do the coordinating, shopping, and wrapping is such a pleasure to see. The work of all the volunteers made the 2003 christmas season happier for seventy-five (75) children in our area.

The generosity of our community is well-known and appreciated and we thank you.

The following is a list of the officers for the Fireflies:

President - Daryl Czech
Treasurer - Sharon Hannafin
Secretary - Penny Williams

Respectfully submitted,
Daryl Czech

REPORT OF THE ALTON GARDEN CLUB

The Alton Garden Club has been an organization of Alton for 70 years. I want to thank members of the Alton Garden Club for their cooperation.

Our programs were wonderful, and we are looking forward to having another great year.

Alton Garden club wishes to thank sunflower Gardens for their donations. The flowers in the barrels throughout the town of Alton were beautiful.

Our Spring Luncheon was a great success. The Home and Garden Tour was beautiful. In August we visited the Pleasant View Gardens. In September we had a group of 39 members to do Berry Bowls. In November we enjoyed a delicious luncheon in the Sky-Light Dining Room at Kingswood Regional High School in Wolfeboro.

Our meetings are held from April through November, with exciting events each month. We hope your will join us next year. I wish to thank all the members who worked on the barrels and Christmas wreaths and our programs.

The officers and Committee Chairs for 2004 are listed as follows:

President	Phyllis Buchanan
Vice-President	Vi Russell
Recording Secretary	Paulette Brooks-Louise Karjanen
Corresponding Secretary	Margaret Birdsey
Treasurer	Myra Meir
Assistant Treasurer	Shirley Copeland
Auditor	Paulette Brooks
Director	Daryl Czech
Program	Daryl Czech, Phyllis Buchanan, Diane Norton
Good Cheer	Patricia Merrill
Hospitality	Shirley Copeland-Madeline Griffin
Beautification	(to be determined)
Horticulture	Ann Hoagland
Year Book	Peg Kayser, Daryl Czech, Phyllis Buchanan
Publicity	Polly Finch
Scrap Book	(to be determined)
Nominating	Executive Board

Respectfully submitted
Phyllis Buchanan

REPORT OF THE ALTON HSTORICAL SOCIETY

Another successful year was enjoyed by the Alton Historical Society. We are grateful to the Gilman Library for the use of their meeting room. The Historical Society Museum, located on the lower level of the Library was open on Wednesdays during July and August, and staffed by volunteers from the Society.

Our April meeting opened the year with a program by Mary Batchelder on her travels in Switzerland. The May meeting was very well attended, with Dick Downing, Rawland Dore and Irving Roberts who entertained with a program on Alton Remembrances. The joint meeting with the Friends of the Gilman Library was held in June with Rebecca Rule, who presented an Evening of Yankee Humor. In July, members enjoyed a trip to Shaker Village in Canterbury, with lunch at the Creamery.

The5th Annual Appraisal Program was held in August, co-hosted by the Alton Bay Christian Conference Center. In September, Dr. Judith Moyer presented a program entitled "Number Please": NH Telephone Operators in the Pre-Dial Era.

At the Annual Meeting in October, officers for the coming year were elected as follows:

Presidency	(The Executive Board will assume responsibility for all business as there was no candidate for this office)
Vice-President	Barbara Ingoldsby
Secretary	Dorothy Folsom
Treasurer	Anne Morse
Directors (1-year appointments)	
	Warren Bodwell
	Philip Laurion
	Barbara Gilman
	Patricia Merrill (ex-officio member)

Two major gifts received this year were:

1) An 1838 map of the Merrymeeting River
2) Framework from the Bayview Pavillion where posters from the Big Bands and the schedules of the
   MV Mount Washington Trips were displayed.

Our goal is to preserve local history. We welcome new members and guests, and look forward to another successful year.

Respectfully submitted,
Dorothy Folsom, Secretary

LAKES REGION COMMUNITY SERVICES COUNCIL

Dedicated to serving the community by promoting independence, dignity and opportunity.

Lakes Region Community Services Council provides support and services to families with children and adults who have developmental disabilities and live in Holderness and the surrounding communities. Some of the supports we provide to people with disabilities includes: support to families, respite, help to find jobs, help with keeping employed, involvement with community activities, assistance with personal care needs and transportation.

The funds received from your town continue to be used to support the recreation coordinator's position. She has been working with recreation departments and community members in several towns organizing or assisting in events that create opportunities for all to participate.

We would like to thank the citizens of Alton for your on-going and future support of making recreation opportunities available in your community.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Crocker
Executive Director

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New Beginnings
A Women's Crisis Center

REPORT OF NEW BEGINNINGS

On behalf of New Beginnings – A Women's Crisis Center, I would like to thank the citizens of the Town of Alton for their continued support. Your 2003 allocation, of **One Thousand Three Hundred Dollars ($1,300.00)**, has enabled us to continue to provide 24-hour crisis support, outreach, and assistance to victims of domestic and sexual assault in all of Belknap County.

Our organization operates a full-time shelter, staffs a 24-hour crisis line, provides advocacy at court, hospitals, and police stations, social service advocacy, and offers peer support groups for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. We also run community and school based education programs. We are members of the Belknap County Family Violence Prevention Forum, a task force made up of community members and professionals initiated by the Governor's Commission to take a stand against domestic and sexual violence in our county.

New Beginnings had advocated and staff in Belknap County courts each working day of this budget year. New Beginnings volunteers donated **over 16,000** service hours. All services are provided free of charge.

We are members of the state-wide NH Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, promoting statewide networking and resource sharing among domestic violence and sexual assault programs. The coalition is the evaluating body and administrator of state and federal contracts that provide some funding for member programs and advocates for legislative change that affects victims of domestic and sexual assault.

Sincerely,

Kathy Keller
Executive Director
New Beginnings – A Women's Crisis Center

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Crisis Line: 1-800-852-3388

Behavioral Health

November 21, 2003

To the residents of Alton:

Genesis Behavioral Health is very grateful to the Town of Alton for your 2003 appropriation. This funding helped Genesis cover the costs of providing mental health care to residents of your town who are unable to pay the full cost of their services.

During Fiscal Year 2003 (ending June 30, 2003), a total of 74 Alton residents came to Genesis to find help for their mental health problems. Their ages break down as follows:

Ages 1 to 17	40
Ages 18 to 59	27
60 & over	7
Total	74

From this total, 15 residents (an increase of 67% over last year) did not have the resources to cover the costs of their services in full. This "charity care" totaled $9,522. Your town appropriation helped cover a portion of those costs.

Since 1966, Genesis Behavioral Health has provided mental health services for residents of the Lakes Region. Services are provided to children in schools, at home and in special programs designed to help the children practice the skills they need to improve their lives. Elders may receive services in their homes, group homes or nursing homes. Our Gatekeeper Program trains community volunteers to be alert to elders living alone who may need assistance. The Genesis Community Support Program provides services for adults living with life-long mental illnesses. Finally, individual therapy for adults and children can help address issues causing distress as well as provide guidance towards positive behaviors. Genesis emergency services are available 24 hours a day, every day of the year.

It's a fact. One out of five Americans will experience some kind of mental illness every year. Residents seeking mental health care are urged to call Genesis in Laconia at 524-1100.

Sincerely,

Michael Coughlin
Executive Director

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VNA - HOSPICE

Annual Report 2003

The year 2003 has once again been a real challenge for the home care industry and for VNA-Hospice. Because of financial cutbacks at both the State and Federal levels the Agency is once again struggling to find the finances necessary to provide the care that our citizens require and deserve. The VNA-Hospice is a not-for-profit; Medicare certified home health and hospice care agency that is licensed by the State of New Hampshire. The Agency staff provides services to residents of Alton, Brookfield, Effingham, Freedom, Moultonboro, Ossipee, Sandwich, Tamworth, Tuftonboro, Wakefield and Wolfeboro.

The Agency continues to have three major programs and during 2003, we were privileged to provide the residents of Alton with home health care, hospice care and maternal child health-community health services. We made a total of 6,707 visits to Alton residents. This included 4,950 home care visits, 1,326 hospice visits, and 431 maternal child health visits. The total Agency staff has driven over 348,851 miles last year, while making a total of 31,432 visits.

VNA-Hospice's goal has always been to provide the residents of Alton with the highest quality of professional health care services that is available. We have approximately 75 employees who work as a team to help us achieve this goal. We actively take part in many different educational programs and seminars in order to keep ourselves current and proficient in our individual specialty. We willingly collaborate with other health care providers in order to insure that the care provided is the most effective and efficient care we can provide. We continue to provide tele-health monitors to our most vulnerable patients. These monitors will take your blood pressure, your pulse, your oxygen concentration, your weight and a number of other important tests every day. The data is then transmitted via a phone line to our office where it is reviewed by a registered nurse and then sent to your individual doctor as necessary. Tele-health monitors allow us to see our patients every day even when a nurse is not scheduled to make a visit.

Thank you for your continued support and for allowing us to provide you with your home health care services.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Barba

Marilyn Barba, MS, RN, CHCE
Executive Director

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YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU

CURRENT:

The Youth Services Bureau Court Diversion Program provides effective alternatives to court–involvement for first time juvenile offenders. To be eligible, a youth must admit to having committed the offense that he/she is charged with and be willing to take full responsibility for it. Staff members help the youth to reflect on the effects of his/her behavior on self and others.

According to figures provided by Belknap County Human Services and the Division of Juvenile Justice Services, a conservative estimate for the cost of court-ordered services for one juvenile is about $9,000. For a mere fraction of that cost, the staff of the Court Diversion Program is able to hold a youth accountable for his/her offense, instill a sense of community ownership and citizenship through acts of service, provide accountability and support for academics, and use the youth's strengths and interests as tools to redirect and motivate him/her. This is accomplished through a variety of avenues, which include weekly meetings with the youth, and bi-weekly meetings with the youth and his/her parent(s), at which progress is measured and assignments are presented and reviewed. Each youth is also given opportunities that aim to improve his/her ability to deal with the issues that teenagers commonly struggle with (i.e., academics, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, peer pressure, anger, relationships) through research and discussion, viewing educational videos, and participation in prevention/early intervention groups with their peers.

2002 marked Youth Services Bureau's busiest year to date of providing Court Diversion services to the town of Alton. Twelve youths, ranging from 13 to 16 years old, were referred by the Alton Police Department. Nine out of twelve youth completed the program successfully and did not require court involvement to address their offense. Youth involved in the program completed 86 ½ hours of community service at Alton Bay, Liberty Tree Park, and the Alton Town Library.

In addition to the Court Diversion Program, residents of Alton also have access to the other services and programs of the Youth Services Bureau which include:

- Parent/child Mediation: An affordable, confidential process that provides families with an opportunity to address issues that are contributing to conflict in the home. Mediation sessions are facilitated by a team of trained mediators and help families to learn communication skills, and to gain insight into each other's needs.

- Upswing: An intervention program for families who have a child in danger of entering the court system under a CHINS (Child In Need of Services) Petition. The program meets with family members to determine needs; helps families access needed services in the community, and is offered at no cost.

- Challenge: An early intervention drug and alcohol education course, which aims to intervene and curtail further involvement with substances. Other issues such as high-risk behaviors, STD's, and problem solving are also explored.

PROPOSED:

Anger Management: Staff is in the final stages of putting together an anger management group for high school and middle school students (two separate groups). The program is designed to help youth learn to deal with their anger in a healthy, non-destructive way. Participants will learn: 1) to recognize the specific thoughts, feelings, and behaviors which can contribute to feelings of anger and lead to aggressive behavior 2) coping skills to reduce and change their behavior 3) to make general lifestyle changes that will result in an ability to think and act more positively.

The Real Game: Staff is in the final stages of preparation to offer this group that gives teens an opportunity to do self-exploration/assessment, career planning, and educational/occupational exploration. The content of the course incorporates much of the knowledge and skills taught in school as well as decision-making, teamwork, and critical thinking.

Holly DeWald
Director

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Acct. No.	Account Description	2002 ACTUAL	2003 BUDGET	2003 ACTUAL	2004 DEPT REQ.	2004 SELECTMEN'S	2004 BUDGET COMM
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT						
1-4130-001	Selectmen's Salaries	$ 12,800	$ 12,800	$ 12,800	$ 13,107	$ 13,107	$ 13,107
1-4130-002	Treasurer's Salary	$ 6,600	$ 6,771	$ 6,771	$ 6,934	$ 6,934	$ 6,934
1-4130-003	Trustee's Salaries	$ 5,307	$ 5,445	$ 5,445	$ 5,576	$ 5,576	$ 5,576
1-4130-005	Town Admin. Salary	$ 64,356	$ 69,068	$ 83,362	$ 62,464	$ 62,464	$ 62,464
1-4130-010	F/T Wages, Office Staff	$ 71,438	$ 81,350	$ 72,487	$ 90,169	$ 90,103	$ 90,103
1-4130-015	P/T Wages, Office Staff	$ 509	$ 1,000	$ 1,282	$ 2,000	$ 16,353	$ 16,353
1-4130-020	O/T Wages, Office Staff	$ 1,699	$ 3,471	$ 2,901	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 1,500
1-4130-029	Benefit Buy-Out	$ 4,995	$ 5,000	$ 881	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	$ 3,000
1-4130-109	Career Dev.	$ -	$ 2,000	$ 674	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 1,500
1-4130-110	Meetings and Conferences	$ 1,403	$ 1,965	$ 1,033	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 1,500
1-4130-111	Dues and Fees	$ 4,368	$ 4,815	$ 4,495	$ 4,985	$ 4,985	$ 4,985
1-4130-112	Travel and Mileage	$ 280	$ 700	$ 564	$ 700	$ 700	$ 700
1-4130-131	Office Supplies	$ 4,605	$ 4,000	$ 4,554	$ 4,000	$ 4,000	$ 4,000
1-4130-133	Postage	$ 2,361	$ 5,000	$ 3,341	$ 3,500	$ 3,500	$ 3,500
1-4130-134	Reference Materials	$ 18	$ 1,100	$ 372	$ 600	$ 600	$ 600
1-4130-137	Records Preservation	$ -	$ 300		$ 500	$ 500	$ 500
1-4130-139	General Expenses	$ 2,468	$ 2,850	$ 1,481	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 2,000
1-4130-161	Audit Expenses	$ 7,300	$ 9,000	$ 10,050	$ 9,500	$ 9,500	$ 9,500
1-4130-162	Computer Expenses	$ 7,766	$ 15,700	$ 13,784	$ 9,600	$ 9,600	$ 9,600
1-4130-163	Copy Machine Expenses	$ 1,839	$ 2,500	$ 685	$ 2,500	$ 2,500	$ 2,500
1-4130-167	Historian's Expenses	$ -			$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4130-175	Telecomm. Expenses	$ 5,073	$ 5,460	$ 4,985	$ 5,460	$ 5,460	$ 5,460
1-4130-181	Printing and Signs	$ 2,148	$ 5,000	$ 5,340	$ 3,500	$ 3,500	$ 3,500
1-4130-182	Staff Recruiting		$ 2,000	$ 1,343	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500
1-4130-183	Advertising	$ 418	$ 1,500	$ 1,480	$ 1,200	$ 1,200	$ 1,200
1-4130-184	Contracted Services	$ 338	$ 1,900	$ 593	$ 1,900	$ 1,900	$ 1,900
1-4130-201	New Equipment	$ 15,995	$ 3,850	$ 4,035	$ 1,750	$ 1,750	$ 1,750
1-4130-202	Equipment Maint. Expense		$ 400		$ 400	$ 400	$ 400
1-4130-204	Safety Committee		$ 700		$ 350	$ 350	$ 350
1-4130-899	Selectmen's Contingency	$ 2,427	$ 15,000	$ 10,927	$ 15,000	$ 15,000	$ 15,000
1-4130-	**GENERAL GOV'T TOTALS**	**$ 226,511**	**$ 270,645**	**$ 255,665**	**$ 255,696**	**$ 269,983**	**$ 15,350**
	BUDGET COMMITTEE						
1-4131-110	Meetings and Conferences	$ 140	$ 140	$ 35	$ 75	$ 75	$ 75

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1-4131-131	Office Supplies	$ 167	$ 150	$ -	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200
1-4131-133	Postage	$ 8	$ 10	$ -	$ 10	$ 10	$ 10
1-4131-139	General Expenses		$ 1		$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4131-175	Telecomm. Expenses	$ 20	$ 25	$ -	$ 25	$ 25	$ 25
1-4131-183	Advertising	$ 75	$ 200	$ -	$ 220	$ 220	$ 220
1-4131-184	Contracted Services	$ 335	$ 935	$ 394	$ 300	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
1-4131-	**BUDGET COMM. TOTALS**	**$ 745**	**$ 1,461**	**$ 429**	**$ 831**	**$ 1,531**	**$ 1,531**
	TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE						
1-4132-001	Town Clerk's Salary	$ 27,551	$ 29,921	$ 29,921	$ 30,639	$ 30,639	$ 30,639
1-4132-010	F/T Wages, Office Staff	$ 22,577	$ 24,107	$ 24,142	$ 24,690	$ 24,690	$ 24,690
1-4132-015	P/T Wages, Office Staff		$ 1	$ -	$ 4,718	$ 1	$ 1
1-4132-020	O/T Wages, Office Staff	$ 204	$ 200	$ 148	$ 445	$ 445	$ 445
1-4132-029	Benefit Buy-Out	$ 530	$ 500	$ 575	$ 595	$ 595	$ 595
1-4132-110	Meetings and Conferences	$ 186	$ 390	$ 376	$ 390	$ 390	$ 390
1-4132-111	Dues and Fees	$ 40	$ 40	$ 40	$ 40	$ 40	$ 40
1-4132-112	Travel and Mileage	$ 175	$ 231	$ 145	$ 231	$ 231	$ 231
1-4132-131	Office Supplies	$ 451	$ 475	$ 185	$ 475	$ 475	$ 475
1-4132-133	Postage	$ 1,915	$ 2,238	$ 2,149	$ 2,238	$ 2,238	$ 2,238
1-4132-134	Reference Materials	$ 97	$ 292	$ 132	$ 292	$ 292	$ 292
1-4132-136	Dog Tags	$ 250	$ 260	$ 272	$ 290	$ 290	$ 290
1-4132-137	Records Preservation	$ 169	$ 200	$ 130	$ 50	$ 50	$ 50
1-4132-139	General Expenses	$ 22	$ 20	$ 15	$ 20	$ 20	$ 20
1-4132-162	Computer Expenses	$ 1,174	$ 4,845	$ 5,705	$ 1,482	$ 1,482	$ 1,482
1-4132-175	Telecomm. Expenses	$ 1,009	$ 1,100	$ 1,077	$ 1,100	$ 1,100	$ 1,100
1-4132-181	Printing and Signs	$ 200	$ 180	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200
1-4132-183	Advertising	$ 46	$ 50	$ 26	$ 50	$ 50	$ 50
1-4132-184	Contracted Services	$ 150	$ 150	$ 188	$ 190	$ 190	$ 190
1-4132-201	New Equipment	$ 74	$ 100	$ 45	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200
1-4132-202	Equipment Maint. Expense		$ 50	$ -	$ 50	$ 50	$ 50
1-4132-350	NHCTA Certification	$ 130	$ 250	$ -	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4132-	**TOWN CLERK TOTALS**	**$ 56,950**	**$ 65,600**	**$ 65,469**	**$ 68,386**	**$ 63,669**	**$ 1**
	TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE						
1-4133-001	Tax Collector's Salary	$ 33,450	$ 35,695	$ 35,695	$ 36,552	$ 36,552	$ 36,552
1-4133-010	F/T Wages Office Staff	$ 1,820	$ 3,000	$ 2,775	$ 3,200	$ 3,200	$ 3,200

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1-4133-029	Benefit Buy-Out	$ 2,065	$ 2,000	$ 3,268	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 2,000
1-4133-110	Meetings and Conferences	$ 439	$ 450	$ 450	$ 450	$ 450	$ 450
1-4133-111	Dues and Fees	$ 60	$ 60	$ 50	$ 50	$ 50	$ 50
1-4133-112	Travel and Mileage	$ 147	$ 70	$ 154	$ 150	$ 150	$ 150
1-4133-131	Office Supplies	$ 489	$ 550	$ 389	$ 750	$ 750	$ 750
1-4133-133	Postage	$ 4,649	$ 5,200	$ 5,526	$ 5,500	$ 5,500	$ 5,500
1-4133-162	Computer Expenses	$ 784	$ 4,900	$ 3,268	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
1-4133-168	Tax Lien Redemption Exp.	$ 724	$ 1,000	$ 1,834	$ 1,800	$ 1,800	$ 1,800
1-4133-175	Telecomm. Expenses	$ 632	$ 650	$ 670	$ 650	$ 650	$ 650
1-4133-181	Printing and Signs	$ 1,060	$ 1,300	$ 472	$ 1,300	$ 1,300	$ 1,300
1-4133-	**TAX COLLECTOR TOTAL**	**$ 46,318**	**$ 54,875**	**$ 54,553**	**$ 53,402**	**$ 53,402**	**$ 11,650**
	ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION						
1-4140-001	Supervisor's Salaries	$ 600	$ 284	$ 284	$ 819	$ 819	$ 819
1-4140-002	Moderator's Salary	$ 500	$ 250	$ 250	$ 625	$ 625	$ 625
1-4140-015	P/T Election Workers	$ -	$ 62	$ -	$ 250	$ 250	$ 250
1-4140-131	Office Supplies	$ 51	$ 60	$ 52	$ 60	$ 60	$ 60
1-4140-133	Postage	$ 70	$ 50	$ 32	$ 50	$ 50	$ 50
1-4140-139	General Expenses	$ 139	$ 50	$ 48	$ 220	$ 220	$ 220
1-4140-162	Computer Expenses	$ 79	$ 100	$ 84	$ 100	$ 100	$ 100
1-4140-181	Printing and Signs	$ 2,793	$ 1,650	$ 1,573	$ 3,570	$ 4,503	$ 4,503
1-4140-183	Advertising	$ 499	$ 200	$ 309	$ 630	$ 630	$ 630
1-4140-184	Contracted Services	$ 275	$ 300	$ -	$ 300	$ 300	$ 300
1-4140-201	New Equipment	$ 354	$ 140	$ 150	$ 150	$ 150	$ 150
1-4140-202	Equipment Maint. Exp.	$ 58	$ 70	$ 60	$ 100	$ 100	$ 100
1-4140-	**ELECTION & REG. TOTAL**	**$ 5,418**	**$ 3,216**	**$ 2,842**	**$ 6,874**	**$ 7,807**	**$ 6,113**
	LEGAL FEES						
1-4153-165	Town Attorney's Retainer	$ 12,600	$ 12,900	$ 12,900	$ 12,900	$ 12,900	$ 12,900
1-4153-166	Town Attorney's Fees	$ 10,958	$ 25,000	$ 12,404	$ 25,000	$ 25,000	$ 25,000
1-4153-184	Contracted Services	$ 500	$ 30,000	$ 18,997	$ 10,000	$ 10,000	$ 10,000
1-4153-	**TOTAL LEGAL FEES**	**$ 24,058**	**$ 67,900**	**$ 44,302**	**$ 47,900**	**$ 47,900**	**$ 47,900**
	EMPLOYEE BENEFITS						
1-4155-831	FICA	$ 71,132	$ 82,000	$ 82,396	$ 94,000	$ 88,508	$ 88,508
1-4155-832	Medicare	$ 23,646	$ 28,000	$ 26,105	$ 31,000	$ 29,651	$ 29,651

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1-4155-833	Health/Dental Insurance	$ 294,943	$ 389,700	$ 364,470	$ 441,090	$ 435,000	$ 435,000
1-4155-834	Police Retirement	$ 26,661	$ 41,950	$ 37,227	$ 46,500	$ 48,000	$ 48,000
1-4155-835	Employee Retirement	$ 32,750	$ 49,500	$ 44,824	$ 70,000	$ 65,080	$ 65,080
1-4155-836	Life/AD&D Insurance	$ 6,763	$ 6,000	$ 3,437	$ 4,500	$ 4,500	$ 4,500
1-4155-837	457K Retirement	$ 20,933	$ 15,000	$ 4,836	$ 6,500	$ 6,500	$ 6,500
1-4155-839	Merit Pay	$ 16,054	$ 20,800	$ 16,923	$ 21,500	$ 21,500	$ 21,500
4-4155-882	Staff Recruiting	$ 3,921	$ 5,000	$ 7,028	$ 5,000	$ 5,000	$ 5,000
1-4155-884	Firemen's Disability	$ 4,325	$ 4,324	$ 4,325	$ 4,324	$ 4,324	$ 4,324
1-4155-	**EMP. BENEFITS TOTALS**	**$ 501,128**	**$ 642,274**	**$ 591,570**	**$ 724,414**	**$ 708,063**	**$ 708,063**
	LAND USE & PROP. RECORDS DEPT.						
1-4190-002	Town Planner	$ -	$ 31,200	$ 38,493	$ 31,200	$ 22,500	$ 22,500
1-4190-004	P/T Planner		$ -	$ -	$ 31,200	$ 30,550	$ 30,550
1-4190-005	Plannning Director Salary	$ 25,775		$ 1	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4190-006	Code Official Salary	$ 36,537	$ 39,313	$ 39,313	$ 42,739	$ 40,257	$ 40,257
1-4190-007	P/T Seasonal Code Official		$ -	$ -	$ 5,000	$ 5,000	$ 5,000
1-4190-010	F/T Wages Office Staff	$ 45,587	$ 48,548	$ 47,981	$ 44,990	$ 49,714	$ 49,714
1-4190-015	P/T Wages Office Staff	$ 5,577	$ 1	$ 2,416	$ 12,493	$ 1	$ 1
1-4190-016	P/t Wages Assessor	$ 19,448	$ 31,106	$ 4,942	$ 45,000	$ 33,336	$ 33,336
1-4190-020	O/T Wages Office Staff	$ 251	$ 400	$ 633	$ 1,200	$ 600	$ 600
1-4190-029	Benefit Buy-Out	$ 141	$ 1,000	$ 163	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
1-4190-110	Meetings and Conferences	$ 1,410	$ 2,475	$ 1,208	$ 2,475	$ 1,200	$ 1,200
1-4190-111	Dues and Fees	$ 225	$ 500	$ 325	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500
1-4190-112	Travel and Mileage	$ 144	$ 300	$ 300	$ 300	$ 300	$ 300
1-4190-131	Office Supplies	$ 1,983	$ 1,750	$ 1,867	$ 2,000	$ 2,500	$ 2,500
1-4190-133	Postage	$ 3,384	$ 3,500	$ 2,737	$ 3,500	$ 3,500	$ 3,500
1-4190-134	Reference Materials	$ 255	$ 985	$ 532	$ 985	$ 985	$ 985
1-4190-162	Computer Expenses	$ 1,883	$ 1,000	$ 694	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
1-4190-163	Copy Machine Expenses	$ 1,738	$ 2,158	$ 2,890	$ 2,158	$ 2,158	$ 2,158
1-4190-165	Lab Fees	$ 100	$ 320	$ 120	$ 310	$ 310	$ 310
1-4190-166	Forestry Expenses	$ 633	$ 750	$ 131	$ 750	$ 750	$ 750
1-4190-168	Deed and Title Expenses	$ 837	$ 1,000	$ 144	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500
1-4190-175	Telecomm. Expenses	$ 3,105	$ 2,988	$ 3,393	$ 4,480	$ 4,480	$ 4,480
1-4190-181	Printing and Signs	$ 1,300	$ 1,000	$ 1,100	$ 3,600	$ 3,600	$ 3,600
1-4190-183	Advertising	$ 1,261	$ 1,430	$ 2,388	$ 1,800	$ 1,800	$ 1,800
1-4190-184	Contracted Services	$ 4,951	$ 10,000	$ 37,775	$ 10,000	$ 28,500	$ 28,500

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1-4190-185	Map Updating	$ 1,624	$ 2,000	$ 1,600	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 2,000
1-4190-201	New Equipment	$ 248	$ 350	$ 254	$ 2,400	$ 1,900	$ 1,900
1-4190-202	Equipment Maint. Expense	$ 243	$ 200	$ 147	$ 350	$ 350	$ 350
1-4190-	**LAND USE DEPT TOTALS**	**$ 158,644**	**$ 184,275**	**$ 191,547**	**$ 253,931**	**$ 239,292**	**$ 34,550**
	PLANNING DEPT.						
1-4191-002	SA 17/021 L.R. PLANNING COMM.	$ 5,349	$ -		$ -	$ -	$ -
1-4191-	**PLANNING DEPT. TOTALS**	**$ 5,349**	**$ -**		$ -	$ -	$ -
	GROUNDS/MAINTENANCE						
1-4194-011	F/T Wages Laborers	$ 37,353	$ 61,007	$ 53,719	$ 66,373	$ 66,373	$ 66,373
1-4194-016	P/T Wages Laborers	$ 4,893	$ -	$ -	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4194-021	OT Wages Laborers	$ 10,508	$ 8,685	$ 6,856	$ 9,132	$ 9,132	$ 9,132
1-4194-029	Benefit Buy-Out	$ 3,393	$ 2,097	$ -	$ 2,389	$ 2,389	$ 2,389
1-4194-139	General Expenses	$ 7,296	$ 7,500	$ 7,540	$ 8,996	$ 8,996	$ 8,996
1-4194-175	Telecomm. Expenses	$ 1,054	$ 756	$ 937	$ 1,015	$ 1,015	$ 1,015
1-4194-181	Printing and Signs	$ 192	$ 425	$ 410	$ 425	$ 425	$ 425
1-4194-190	Portable Toilets	$ 690	$ 1,230	$ 725	$ 1,230	$ 1,230	$ 1,230
1-4194-201	New Equipment	$ 1,687	$ 1,749	$ 1,528	$ 1,765	$ 1,765	$ 1,765
1-4194-202	Equipment Maint. Expense	$ 3,591	$ 1,275	$ 1,139	$ 1,275	$ 1,275	$ 1,275
1-4194-206	Uniforms	$ 694	$ 750	$ 716	$ 900	$ 900	$ 900
1-4194-207	Vehicle Expenses	$ 6,365	$ 6,800	$ 5,705	$ 6,550	$ 6,550	$ 6,550
1-4194-208	Tires	$ 1,152	$ 600	$ 597	$ 600	$ 600	$ 600
1-4194-214	Vehicle Fuel	$ 2,027	$ 2,000	$ 3,367	$ 2,900	$ 2,900	$ 2,900
1-4194-303	Town Hall Electricity	$ 3,056	$ 5,500	$ 3,978	$ 5,500	$ 5,500	$ 5,500
1-4194-304	Town Hall Bldg. Fuel	$ 4,714	$ 7,000	$ 4,667	$ 7,000	$ 7,000	$ 7,000
1-4194-305	Town Hall Water	$ 325	$ 324	$ 343	$ 324	$ 324	$ 324
1-4194-309	Town Hall Bldg. Expenses	$ 5,031	$ 4,000	$ 5,803	$ 4,780	$ 4,780	$ 4,780
1-4194-313	ABCC Electricity	$ 1,601	$ 2,000	$ 1,958	$ 2,300	$ 2,300	$ 2,300
1-4194-314	ABCC Bldg. Fuel	$ 761	$ 1,500	$ 808	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 1,000
1-4194-315	ABCC Water	$ 204	$ 250	$ 256	$ 250	$ 250	$ 250
1-4194-316	ABCC Septic	$ 510	$ 2,000	$ 1,570	$ 2,800	$ 2,800	$ 2,800
1-4194-319	ABCC Bldg. Expenses	$ 2,238	$ 1,757	$ 2,291	$ 5,368	$ 5,843	$ 5,843
1-4194-323	Bay Restrooms Elect.	$ 880	$ 900	$ 914	$ 1,050	$ 1,050	$ 1,050
1-4194-324	Bay Restrooms Fuel	$ 910	$ 1,200	$ 941	$ 1,200	$ 1,200	$ 1,200
1-4194-325	Bay Restrooms Water	$ 1,915	$ 2,000	$ 1,896	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 2,000

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1-4194-329	Bay Restrooms Bldg. Exp.	$ 1,097	$ 3,342	$ 2,813	$ 3,499	$ 3,499	$ 3,499
1-4194-333	PRCC Electricity	$ 1,297	$ 1,600	$ 1,298	$ 1,600	$ 1,600	$ 1,600
1-4194-334	PRCC Bldg. Fuel	$ 1,745	$ 2,000	$ 2,259	$ 2,150	$ 2,150	$ 2,150
1-4194-335	PRCC Water	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200
1-4194-339	PRCC Bldg. Expenses	$ 1,096	$ 1,353	$ 2,256	$ 1,600	$ 1,600	$ 1,600
1-4194-373	Parks/Rec/Gnds/Maint Elect	$ 875	$ 1,000	$ 858	$ 1,100	$ 1,100	$ 1,100
1-4194-374	Parks/Rec/Gnds/Maint Fuel	$ 619	$ 800	$ 620	$ 900	$ 900	$ 800
1-4194-375	Rec. Water	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200
1-4194-379	Rec. Building Expense	$ 991	$ 376	$ 143	$ 1,215	$ 1,215	$ 1,215
1-4194-383	Bandstand Electricity	$ 1,198	$ 2,000	$ 1,689	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 2,000
1-4194-389	Bandstand Expenses	$ 281	$ 1,030	$ 838	$ 1,025	$ 1,025	$ 1,025
1-4194-399	Dock Expenses	$ 2,250	$ 1,000	$ 2,230	$ 2,020	$ 2,020	$ 2,020
1-4194-449	Turf and Grounds Expense	$ 3,212	$ 400	$ 147	$ 1,525	$ 1,225	$ 1,225
1-4194-599	Jones Field Improvements	$ 3,517	$ 800	$ 882	$ 3,430	$ 3,430	$ 3,430
1-4194-699	Liberty Tree Park Improve.	$ 1,509	$ 800	$ 637	$ 799	$ 799	$ 799
1-4194-799	Alton Bay Bridge Lights	$ 52	$ 125	$ 146	$ 125	$ 125	$ 125
1-4194-	**GROUNDS/MAINT TOTALS**	**$ 123,182**	**$ 140,331**	**$ 125,881**	**$ 161,011**	**$ 161,186**	**$ 72,255**
	CEMETERY DEPARTMENT						
1-4195-001	Trustee Salaries	$ 900	$ 1,250	$ 1,250	$ 1,650	$ 1,280	$ 1,280
1-4195-016	P/T Wages Caretakers	$ 28,223	$ 33,377	$ 24,390	$ 34,265	$ 34,265	$ 34,265
1-4195-020	O/T Wages	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500
1-4195-035	Medicare	$ 409	$ 483	$ 354	$ 497	$ 497	$ 497
1-4195-036	FICA	$ 1,750	$ 2,069	$ 1,512	$ 2,124	$ 2,124	$ 2,124
1-4195-110	Meetings and Conferences	$ 100	$ 250	$ 200	$ 250	$ 250	$ 250
1-4195-111	Dues and Fees	$ 20	$ 100	$ 20	$ 100	$ 100	$ 100
1-4195-112	Travel and Mileage	$ 71	$ 125	$ 49	$ 150	$ 150	150
1-4195-131	Office Supplies	$ 8	$ 60	$ 44	$ 60	$ 60	$ 60
1-4195-133	Postage	$ 13	$ 50	$ 30	$ 50	$ 50	$ 50
1-4195-139	General Expenses	$ 225	$ 826	$ 156	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
1-4195-175	Telecomm. Expenses	$ 194	$ 250	$ 225	$ 250	$ 250	$ 250
1-4195-181	Printing and Signs	$ -	$ 100	$ -	$ 100	$ 100	$ 100
1-4195-184	Contracted Services	$ 850	$ 1,450	$ 1,050	$ 2,500	$ 2,500	$ 2,500
1-4195-201	New Equipment	$ 2,049	$ 400	$ 489	$ 400	$ 400	$ 400
1-4195-202	Equipment Maint. Expense	$ 371	$ 900	$ 664	$ 900	$ 900	$ 900
1-4195-206	Uniforms	$ 453	$ 150	$ 150	$ 300	$ 300	$ 300

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1-4195-207	Vehicle Expenses	$ 171	$ 550	$ 493	$ 800	$ 800	$ 800
1-4195-208	Tires	$ -	$ 300	$ 191	$ 300	$ 300	$ 300
1-4195-214	Vehicle Fuel	$ 641	$ 760	$ 623	$ 800	$ 800	$ 800
1-4195-265	Monument Maintenance	$ 176	$ 300	$ 72	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200
1-4195-276	Unemp. Comp.	$ 185	$ 200	$ -	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200
1-4195-277	Workers' Comp. Insurance	$ 1,121	$ 1,500	$ 856	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 1,500
1-4195-278	Property/Liability Insurance	$ 931	$ 1,000	$ 998	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
1-4195-279	Uninsured Expenses	$ -	$ 1,000	$ -	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
1-4195-303	Electricity	$ 501	$ 700	$ 461	$ 700	$ 700	$ 700
1-4195-304	Building Fuel	$ 286	$ 250	$ -	$ 250	$ 250	$ 250
1-4195-305	Water	$ 2,972	$ 3,500	$ 3,508	$ 3,500	$ 3,500	$ 3,500
1-4195-309	Building Expenses	$ 190	$ 200	$ 314	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200
1-4195-440	Radio Expenses	$ -	$ 150	$ -	$ 150	$ 150	$ 150
1-4195-449	Turf and Grounds Expense	$ 4,499	$ 3,500	$ 1,020	$ 3,500	$ 3,500	$ 3,500
1-4195-882	Staff Recruiting	$ 12	$ 325	$ 59	$ 325	$ 325	$ 325
1-4195-	**CEMETERY DEPT TOTAL**	**$ 47,322**	**$ 56,075**	**$ 39,175**	**$ 59,521**	**$ 59,151**	**$ 12,325**
	INSURANCE						
1-4196-275	Liability Deductible/Official	$ 1,831	$ 2,500	$ 2,309	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	$ 3,000
1-4196-276	Unemployment Comp.	$ 3,183	$ 2,000	$ 19,142	$ 6,000	$ 6,000	$ 6,000
1-4196-277	Workers' Compensation	$ 31,476	$ 35,000	$ 39,746	$ 45,000	$ 46,000	$ 46,000
1-4196-278	Property/Liability Insurance	$ 43,281	$ 49,000	$ 49,348	$ 53,000	$ 53,000	$ 53,000
1-4196-279	Uninsured Expenses	$ -	$ 1,500	$ -	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 1,500
1-4196-280	Community Centers Ins.	$ -	$ 5,000	$ -	$ 5,000	$ 1	$ 1
1-4196-	**INSURANCE TOTALS**	**$ 79,771**	**$ 95,000**	**$ 110,545**	**$ 113,500**	**$ 109,501**	**$ 109,501**
	POLICE DEPARTMENT						
1-4210-005	Police Chief's Salary	$ 57,763	$ 61,742	$ 61,742	$ 65,938	$ 65,938	$ 65,938
1-4210-010	F/T Wages Office Staff	$ 58,309	$ 59,924	$ 60,013	$ 62,816	$ 62,816	$ 62,816
1-4210-011	F/T Wages Officers	$ 363,419	$ 414,733	$ 399,273	$ 430,643	$ 433,919	$ 433,919
1-4210-015	P/T Wages Auxiliary Off.	$ 1,993	$ 3,000	$ 1,575	$ 2,600	$ 2,600	$ 2,600
1-4210-016	P/T Wages Officers	$ 15,782	$ 13,745	$ 15,303	$ 16,000	$ 16,000	$ 16,000
1-4210-020	O/T Wages Office Staff	$ 237	$ 515	$ 324	$ 532	$ 532	$ 532
1-4210-021	O/T Wages Officers	$ 31,917	$ 32,000	$ 33,521	$ 34,000	$ 34,000	$ 34,000
1-4210-025	Spec. Wages Private Duty	$ 12,495	$ 64,200	$ 46,965	$ 40,000	$ 40,000	$ 40,000

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1-4210-029	Benefit Buy-Out	$ 4,443	$ 3,878	$ 4,038	$ 4,200	$ 4,200	$ 4,200
1-4210-032	Holiday Pay	$ 10,085	$ 13,522	$ 16,288	$ 15,192	$ 15,192	$ 15,192
1-4210-109	Career Development	$ 2,042	$ 2,000	$ 1,402	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 2,000
1-4210-110	Meetings and Conferences	$ 1,190	$ 1	$ 553	$ 450	$ 450	$ 450
1-4210-111	Dues and Fees	$ 520	$ 525	$ 535	$ 725	$ 725	$ 725
1-4210-112	Travel and Mileage	$ 129	$ 75	$ 159	$ 130	$ 130	$ 130
1-4210-113	Training Expenses	$ 8,512	$ 8,000	$ 7,671	$ 8,000	$ 8,000	$ 8,000
1-4210-114	Ammunition	$ 4,383	$ 4,800	$ 9,375	$ 6,800	$ 6,800	$ 6,800
1-4210-115	Grant Funding	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 5,300	$ 5,300	$ 5,300
1-4210-131	Office Supplies	$ 1,748	$ 2,100	$ 2,138	$ 2,069	$ 2,069	$ 2,069
1-4210-133	Postage	$ 784	$ 1,100	$ 980	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
1-4210-134	Reference Materials	$ 1,404	$ 1,500	$ 1,009	$ 1,600	$ 1,600	$ 1,600
1-4210-139	General Expenses	$ 163	$ 200	$ 163	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200
1-4210-162	Computer Expenses	$ 8,582	$ 8,625	$ 9,958	$ 13,000	$ 13,000	$ 13,000
1-4210-163	Copy Machine Expenses	$ 2,270	$ 2,438	$ 2,463	$ 3,700	$ 3,700	$ 3,700
1-4210-165	Contracted Services	$ -	$ 700	$ 476	$ 1,200	$ 1,200	$ 1,200
1-4210-175	Telecomm. Expenses	$ 10,019	$ 9,574	$ 9,477	$ 9,884	$ 9,884	$ 9,884
1-4210-181	Printing and Signs	$ 471	$ 459	$ 393	$ 1,975	$ 1,975	$ 1,975
1-4210-183	Advertising	$ -	$ 300	$ -	$ 300	$ 300	$ 300
1-4210-193	Rental Equipment	$ 2,800	$ 1	$ -	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4210-201	New Equipment	$ 7,413	$ 3,798	$ 4,057	$ 3,870	$ 3,870	$ 3,870
1-4210-202	Equipment Maint. Expense	$ 2,615	$ 1,800	$ 3,311	$ 2,100	$ 2,100	$ 2,100
1-4210-205	Aux. Officers Expense	$ -	$ 1	$ -	$ 300	$ 300	$ 300
1-4210-206	Uniforms	$ 11,997	$ 11,190	$ 9,522	$ 10,500	$ 10,500	$ 10,500
1-4210-207	Vehicle Expenses	$ 15,258	$ 16,936	$ 16,356	$ 16,000	$ 16,000	$ 16,000
1-4210-208	Tires	$ 1,201	$ 1,824	$ 1,433	$ 1,800	$ 1,800	$ 1,800
1-4210-210	DWI Expenses	$ 464	$ 680	$ 258	$ 650	$ 650	$ 650
1-4210-214	Vehicle Fuel	$ 8,766	$ 18,259	$ 12,459	$ 11,866	$ 11,866	$ 11,866
1-4210-258	Canine General Exp.	$ 1,346	$ 1,077	$ 652	$ 1,390	$ 1,390	$ 1,390
1-4210-259	Canine Medical Exp.	$ 285	$ 1,350	$ 528	$ 1,400	$ 1,400	$ 1,400
1-4210-269	Investigations	$ 1,592	$ 2,152	$ 2,890	$ 2,300	$ 2,300	$ 2,300
1-4210-270	Community Services	$ 638	$ 1,700	$ 1,552	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 1,500
1-4210-271	Patrol Supplies	$ 1,747	$ 2,900	$ 5,165	$ 4,420	$ 4,420	$ 4,420
1-4210-272	Special operations	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	$ 3,000
1-4210-303	Police Station Electricity	$ 4,514	$ 4,488	$ 3,868	$ 4,860	$ 4,860	$ 4,860
1-4210-304	Police Station Fuel	$ 1,626	$ 1,890	$ 2,223	$ 3,750	$ 3,750	$ 2,400
1-4210-305	Police Station Water	$ 224	$ 300	$ 248	$ 300	$ 300	$ 300

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1-4210-309	Police Station Expenses	$ 1,786	$ 5,605	$ 5,189	$ 3,964	$ 3,964	$ 3,964
1-4210-440	Radio Expenses	$ 4,774	$ 644	$ 7,278	$ 3,400	$ 3,400	$ 3,400
1-4210-450	Infectious Disease Control	$ 397	$ 1,148	$ 45	$ 540	$ 540	$ 540
1-4210-	**POLICE DEPT. TOTALS**	**$ 668,105**	**$ 787,399**	**$ 762,826**	**$ 808,164**	**$ 811,440**	**$ 810,090**
	FIRE DEPARTMENT						
1-4220-001	Fire Ward's Salaries	$ 3,667	$ 3,907	$ 3,907	$ 3,907	$ 3,907	$ 3,907
1-4220-005	Fire Chief's Salary	$ 20,000	$ 20,000	$ 18,834	$ 46,000	$ 39,500	$ 39,500
1-4220-015	P/T Wages Office Staff	$ 23,814	$ 24,294	$ 26,824	$ 31,096	$ 29,596	$ 29,596
1-4220-016	P/T Wages Firefighters	$ 28,246	$ 37,370	$ 45,927	$ 50,000	$ 50,000	$ 50,000
1-4220-018	P/T Wages Ambulance	$ 23,481	$ 40,000	$ 37,024	$ 40,000	$ 40,000	$ 40,000
1-4220-020	O/T Wages Firefighters	$ 3,223	$ 2,500	$ 7,353	$ 8,000	$ 8,000	$ 8,000
1-4220-024	Special Duty Pay	$ -	$ 2,000	$ 675	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 2,000
1-4220-025	Special Wages Forest Fires	$ 5,026	$ 4,000	$ 972	$ 4,000	$ 4,000	$ 4,000
1-4220-029	Benefit Buy-Out	$ 321	$ 300	$ 234	$ 300	$ 300	$ 300
1-4220-049	Fire Rtrment(RSA 24 1986)	$ 6,335	$ 6,494	$ 6,050	$ 6,499	$ 6,195	$ 6,195
1-4220-110	Meetings and Conferences	$ 422	$ 1,540	$ (442)	$ 1,805	$ 1,805	$ 1,805
1-4220-111	Dues and Fees	$ 1,243	$ 851	$ 825	$ 1,516	$ 1,516	$ 1,516
1-4220-112	Travel and Mileage	$ -	$ 10	$ 84	$ 250	$ 250	$ 250
1-4220-113	Training Expenses	$ 6,141	$ 6,234	$ 4,720	$ 8,190	$ 8,190	$ 8,190
1-4220-131	Office Supplies	$ 1,452	$ 1,260	$ 1,278	$ 6,193	$ 1,260	$ 1,260
1-4220-133	Postage	$ 355	$ 400	$ 411	$ 400	$ 400	$ 400
1-4220-134	Reference Materials	$ 788	$ 1,145	$ 1,686	$ 860	$ 860	$ 860
1-4220-139	General Expenses	$ 522	$ 900	$ 506	$ 800	$ 800	$ 800
1-4220-162	Computer Expenses	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 4,934	$ 4,934
1-4220-163	Copy Machine Expenses	$ 1,602	$ 288	$ 179	$ 306	$ 306	$ 306
1-4220-175	Telecomm. Expenses	$ 5,019	$ 4,739	$ 5,631	$ 7,448	$ 7,448	$ 7,448
1-4220-181	Printing and Signs	$ 1,031	$ 850	$ 375	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500
1-4220-191	Equipment Rental	$ -	$ 1	$ -	$ 10	$ 10	$ 10
1-4220-201	New Equipment	$ 34,436	$ 35,000	$ 30,395	$ 35,000	$ 19,823	$ 19,823
1-4220-202	Equipment Maint. Expense	$ 5,624	$ 2,088	$ 1,913	$ 2,088	$ 2,088	$ 2,088
1-4220-206	Uniforms	$ 1,657	$ 1,300	$ 1,878	$ 1,940	$ 1,940	$ 1,940
1-4220-207	Vehicle Expenses	$ 16,556	$ 16,019	$ 27,353	$ 20,000	$ 20,000	$ 20,000
1-4220-208	Tires	$ 2,169	$ 1,524	$ 1,436	$ 8,000	$ 4,000	$ 4,000
1-4220-214	Vehicle Fuel	$ 3,145	$ 3,000	$ 4,767	$ 4,500	$ 4,500	$ 4,500
1-4220-245	Fire Alarm Expenses	$ 3,010	$ 2,488	$ -	$ 3,500	$ 3,500	$ 3,500

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1-4220-303	Fire Stations Electricity	$ 4,359	$ 5,000	$ 5,482	$ 5,000	$ 5,000	$ 5,000
1-4220-304	Fire Stations Fuel	$ 5,290	$ 5,500	$ 6,103	$ 6,000	$ 6,000	$ 6,500
1-4220-305	Fire Stations Water	$ 791	$ 757	$ 936	$ 800	$ 800	$ 800
1-4220-309	Fire Stations Bldg Exp.	$ 8,051	$ 25,000	$ 12,563	$ 16,400	$ 16,400	$ 16,400
1-4220-342	Forest Fire Expense	$ 3,032	$ 5,400	$ 732	$ 4,162	$ 4,162	$ 4,162
1-4220-343	Fire Prevention	$ 1,098	$ 975	$ 931	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 1,500
1-4220-440	Radio Expenses	$ 2,187	$ 1,160	$ 1,474	$ 1,847	$ 1,847	$ 1,847
1-4220-450	Infectious Disease Control	$ 3,540	$ 945	$ 155	$ 1,094	$ 1,094	$ 1,094
1-4220-599	Ambulance Expenses	$ 6,852	$ -	$ 2,673	$ 8,500	$ 5,000	$ 5,000
1-4220-	**FIRE DEPT. TOTALS**	**$ 234,481**	**$ 265,239**	**$ 261,845**	**$ 340,411**	**$ 309,431**	**$ 309,931**
	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT						
1-4290-100	Emergency Management	$ 6,185	$ 5,650	$ -	$ 2,729		
	EM Career Development	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 2,250	$ 2,250
	EM Contract Services	$ -	-	-	$ -	$ 479	$ 479
	EM Homeland Security Grant	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 5,600	$ 5,600
1-4290-	**EMERG. MGMT. TOTALS**	**$ 6,185**	**$ 5,650**		**$ 2,729**	**$ 8,329**	**$ 8,329**
	HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT						
1-4312-001	Highway Agent Salary	$ 48,449	$ 51,646	$ 51,646	$ 52,886	$ 52,886	$ 52,886
1-4312-010	F/T Wages Office Staff	$ 21,342	$ 22,464	$ 23,462	$ 24,024	$ 24,024	$ 24,024
1-4312-011	F/T Wages Road Crews	$ 208,917	$ 239,157	$ 215,213	$ 283,545	$ 259,479	$ 259,479
1-4312-021	O/T Wages Road Crews	$ 28,471	$ 26,864	$ 33,528	$ 28,355	$ 24,718	$ 24,718
1-4312-029	Benefit Buy-Out	$ 5,838	$ 5,000	$ 8,989	$ 9,500	$ 7,500	$ 7,500
1-4312-101	Alcohol and Drug Tests	$ 462	$ 1,755	$ 655	$ 1,254	$ 1,254	$ 1,254
1-4312-110	Meetings and Conferences	$ 196	$ 1,200	$ 55	$ 995	$ 495	$ 495
1-4312-111	Dues and Fees	$ 601	$ 150	$ 196	$ 151	$ 151	$ 151
1-4312-112	Travel and Mileage	$ -	$ 1	$ -	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4312-131	Office Supplies	$ 394	$ 416	$ 390	$ 566	$ 566	$ 566
1-4312-133	Postage	$ 61	$ 150	$ 58	$ 171	$ 171	$ 171
1-4312-134	Reference Materials	$ 3,695	$ 300	$ -	$ 300	$ 300	$ 300
1-4312-136	Survey Work	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 13,000	$ -	$ -
1-4312-139	General Expenses	$ 7,402	$ 8,000	$ 6,810	$ 8,000	$ 8,000	$ 8,000
1-4312-140	Pothole Repairs	$ 4,925	$ 20,880	$ 5,773	$ 23,340	$ 16,240	$ 16,240
1-4312-141	Sand	$ 39,940	$ 45,228	$ 49,769	$ 46,575	$ 46,575	$ 46,575
1-4312-142	Salt	$ 37,337	$ 30,849	$ 36,493	$ 26,168	$ 26,168	$ 26,168

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1-4312-143	Gravel	$ 50,084	$ 68,700	$ 68,579	$ 68,700	$ 64,715	$ 64,715
1-4312-144	Pavement Shim	$ 38,264	$ 67,000	$ 67,000	$ 76,700	$ 76,700	$ 76,700
1-4312-145	Pavement Overlay	$ 18,000	$ 18,000	$ 17,967	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4312-146	Chip Seal	$ 33,018	$ 1	$ -	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4312-147	Crack Seal	$ 4,000	$ 4,000	$ 4,000	$ 4,000	$ 4,000	$ 4,000
1-4312-148	Road Grinding	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 15,000	$ 15,000	$ 15,000
1-4312-162	Computer Expenses	$ 1,783	$ 990	$ 538	$ 4,630	$ 4,630	$ 4,167
1-4312-164	Street Sweeping	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 4,600	$ 4,600	$ 4,600
1-4312-165	Catch Basin Maintenance	$ 1,600	$ 2,300	$ 1,600	$ 3,450	$ 3,450	$ 3,450
1-4312-166	Snow Removal Contracts	$ 7,850	$ 10,000	$ 10,780	$ 11,000	$ 11,000	$ 11,000
1-4312-167	Rock Excavation	$ 3,000	$ 6,000	$ 6,304	$ 6,000	$ 6,000	$ 6,000
1-4312-168	Roadside Mowing Contract	$ 4,400	$ 4,400	$ 4,300	$ 4,400	$ 4,400	$ 4,400
1-4312-175	Telecomm. Expenses	$ 1,984	$ 2,211	$ 1,980	$ 1,504	$ 1,504	$ 1,504
1-4312-181	Printing and Signs	$ 3,552	$ 4,266	$ 3,832	$ 4,266	$ 4,266	$ 4,266
1-4312-183	Advertising	$ 160	$ 600	$ 378	$ 600	$ 600	$ 600
1-4312-193	Equipment Rental	$ 9,502	$ 12,600	$ 12,062	$ 13,800	$ 13,800	$ 13,800
1-4312-201	New Equipment	$ 2,903	$ 7,643	$ 6,782	$ 16,417	$ 6,667	$ 6,667
1-4312-202	Equipment Maint. Expense	$ 2,898	$ 3,200	$ 2,418	$ 3,200	$ 3,200	$ 3,200
1-4312-206	Uniforms	$ 5,161	$ 6,090	$ 5,509	$ 6,513	$ 6,513	$ 6,513
1-4312-207	Vehicle Expenses	$ 17,719	$ 37,800	$ 26,642	$ 37,800	$ 28,350	$ 28,350
1-4312-208	Tires	$ 7,605	$ 7,000	$ 8,309	$ 7,000	$ 7,000	$ 7,000
1-4312-214	Vehicle Fuel	$ 18,604	$ 28,850	$ 29,872	$ 25,850	$ 25,850	$ 25,850
1-4312-246	Trapping	$ 80	$ 1,200	$ 480	$ 1,200	$ 1,200	$ 1,200
1-4312-303	Highway Garage Electricity	$ 4,011	$ 5,333	$ 4,895	$ 5,333	$ 5,333	$ 5,333
1-4312-304	Highway Garage Fuel	$ 986	$ 1,299	$ 661	$ 1,365	$ 1,365	$ 1,250
1-4312-309	Highway Garage Expenses	$ 5,014	$ 3,555	$ 7,971	$ 3,555	$ 3,555	$ 3,555
1-4312-315	Highway Garage Water	$ -	$ 1	$ -	$ 10,100	$ -	$ -
1-4312-440	Radio Expenses	$ 736	$ 500	$ 1,040	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500
1-4312-441	Bridge & Guardrail Exp.	$ 3,203	$ 4,000	$ 3,050	$ 4,500	$ 4,500	$ 4,500
1-4312-443	Culverts and Drains	$ 4,095	$ 4,870	$ 9	$ 11,800	$ 11,800	$ 11,800
1-4312-445	Tree Work	$ 1,200	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 1,500
1-4312-447	Dust Control	$ 6,544	$ 15,777	$ 15,721	$ 15,777	$ 15,777	$ 15,777
1-4312-448	Line Painting	$ 3,180	$ 4,274	$ 3,523	$ 4,293	$ 4,293	$ 4,293
1-4312-449	Turf and Grounds Expense	$ 3,834	$ 4,000	$ 3,440	$ 4,000	$ 4,000	$ 4,000
1-4312-450	Infectious Disease Control	$ -	$ 1,200	$ -	$ 1,200	$ 1,200	$ 1,200
1-4312-499	Fema	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
1-4312-527	York Rakes	$ 1,067	$ 1,066	$ 1,535	$ 1,152	$ 1,152	$ 1,152

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1-4312-528	Spreader	$ 2,414	$ 4,000	$ 2,046	$ 4,000	$ 4,000	$ 4,000
1-4312-532	Chipper	$ 465	$ 1,070	$ (14)	$ 250	$ 250	$ 250
1-4312-535	Plow Equipment	$ 6,651	$ 10,000	$ 10,543	$ 10,829	$ 10,829	$ 10,829
1-4312-537	Pull Behind Sweeper	$ 12	$ 1,400	$ 1,662	$ 1,400	$ 1,400	$ 1,400
1-4312-538	Steam Cleaner	$ 296	$ 831	$ -	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500
1-4312-539	Trailer Expense	$ 680	$ 400	$ 178	$ 400	$ 400	$ 400
1-4312-599	Delineation of Wetlands	$ -	$ 2,500	$ 450	$ 2,500	$ 2,500	$ 2,500
1-4312-699	Emergency Reconstruction	$ -	$ 10,000	$ 6,710	$ 10,000	$ 10,000	$ 10,000
1-4312-799	Loader Lease	$ 35,718	$ 541	$ 541	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4312-885	EPA Expense	$ 11,214	$ 1	$ -	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4312-886	DES Fees	$ -	$ 1	$ -	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4312-	**HIGHWAY DEPT. TOTALS**	**$ 733,518**	**$ 827,030**	**$ 779,830**	**$ 930,419**	**$ 846,832**	**$ 846,253**
	STREET LIGHTING						
1-4316-801	Street Lights	$ 25,982	$ 27,000	$ 26,434	$ 27,000	$ 27,000	$ 27,000
1-4316-	**STREET LTG. TOTALS**	**$ 25,982**	**$ 27,000**	**$ 26,434**	**$ 27,000**	**$ 27,000**	**$ 27,000**
	SOLID WASTE OPERATIONS						
1-4324-005	Director's Salary	$ 27,021	$ 28,533	$ 29,478	$ 31,176	$ 31,176	$ 31,176
1-4324-011	F/T Wages SWC Staff	$ 43,601	$ 44,512	$ 44,663	$ 45,594	$ 45,594	$ 45,594
1-4324-016	P/T Wages SWC Staff	$ 9,988	$ 11,844	$ 10,062	$ 14,759	$ 14,759	$ 14,759
1-4324-021	O/T Wages SWC Staff	$ -	$ 300	$ 70	$ 460	$ 460	$ 460
1-4324-029	Benefit Buy-Out	$ 201	$ 1,800	$ 1,003	$ 1,800	$ 1,800	$ 1,800
1-4324-110	Meetings and Conferences	$ 100	$ 100	$ 175	$ 100	$ 100	$ 100
1-4324-111	Dues and Fees	$ -	$ 350	$ 550	$ 350	$ 350	$ 350
1-4324-112	Travel and Mileage	$ 27	$ 100	$ 23	$ 100	$ 100	$ 100
1-4324-131	Office Supplies	$ 76	$ 100	$ 38	$ 150	$ 150	$ 150
1-4324-134	Reference Materials	$ 39	$ 50	$ 52	$ 75	$ 75	$ 75
1-4324-139	General Expenses	$ 1,198	$ 1,045	$ 814	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 1,500
1-4324-140	Disposal of Lights	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
1-4324-141	Disposal of Tanks	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 1,200	$ 1,200	$ 1,200
1-4324-142	CFC Recovery	$ 3,439	$ 1,800	$ 2,096	$ 600	$ 600	$ 600
1-4324-143	Gravel	$ 290	$ 400	$ 310	$ 400	$ 400	$ 400
1-4324-171	Landfill Monitoring	$ 4,862	$ 6,500	$ 4,266	$ 6,500	$ 6,500	$ 6,500
1-4324-175	Telecomm. Expenses	$ 700	$ 650	$ 1,012	$ 1,200	$ 1,200	$ 1,200
1-4324-178	Tire Disposal	$ 2,554	$ 2,500	$ 2,446	$ 2,600	$ 2,600	$ 2,600

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1-4324-181	Printing and Signs	$ 1,384	$ 1,190	$ 877	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
1-4324-183	Advertising	$ -	$ 250	$ 124	$ 250	$ 250	$ 250
1-4324-193	Equipment Rental	$ -	$ 1	$ -	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4324-201	New Equipment	$ -	$ 6,200	$ 2,971	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
1-4324-202	Equipment Maint. Expense	$ 8,618	$ 7,000	$ 9,849	$ 5,300	$ 5,300	$ 5,300
1-4324-206	Uniforms/Safety Equip.	$ 923	$ 890	$ 744	$ 890	$ 890	$ 890
1-4324-207	Vehicle Expense	$ 3,488	$ 2,500	$ 2,526	$ 2,500	$ 2,500	$ 2,500
1-4324-208	Tires	$ 506	$ 1,115	$ 330	$ 2,700	$ 2,700	$ 2,700
1-4324-214	Vehicle Fuel	$ 1,157	$ 800	$ 2,019	$ 1,400	$ 1,400	$ 1,400
1-4324-303	SWC Electricity	$ 3,715	$ 4,200	$ 3,296	$ 4,200	$ 4,200	$ 4,200
1-4324-304	SWC Building Fuel	$ 2,211	$ 3,000	$ 1,696	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	$ 2,000
1-4324-309	SWC Building Expenses	$ 867	$ 5,996	$ 6,151	$ 4,000	$ 4,000	$ 4,000
1-4324-363	Lagoon Expenses	$ 6,150	$ 1	$ -	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4324-364	Lagoon Monitoring	$ 625	$ 1,500	$ 3,281	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	$ 3,000
1-4324-401	Waste Oil Removal	$ 197	$ 500	$ -	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500
1-4324-402	Demo Transportation	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 30,600	$ 24,000	$ 24,000
1-4324-403	Waste Transportation	$ 43,483	$ 51,000	$ 44,302	$ 25,200	$ 20,988	$ 20,988
1-4324-404	Recycables	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 4,860	$ 4,860	$ 4,860
1-4324-405	Waste Disposal Fees	$ 154,279	$ 182,000	$ 185,537	$ 114,750	$ 109,750	$ 109,750
1-4324-406	Demo Disposal Fees	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 94,500	$ 88,500	$ 88,500
1-4324-	**WASTE OP. TOTALS**	**$ 321,699**	**$ 368,727**	**$ 360,761**	**$ 409,216**	**$ 387,404**	**$ 386,404**
	HAZARDOUS WASTE						
1-4326-802	Hazardous Waste Day	$ 3,577	$ 3,850	$ 6,087	$ 3,850	$ 5,000	$ 5,000
1-4326-	**HAZARD. WASTE TOTAL**	**$ 3,577**	**$ 3,850**	**$ 6,087**	**$ 3,850**	**$ 5,000**	**$ 5,000**
	FIRE HYDRANTS						
1-4330-100	Fire Hydrant Expenses	$ 4,170	$ 4,170	$ 4,160	$ 4,170	$ 4,170	$ 4,170
1-4330-	**FIRE HYDRANT TOTALS**	**$ 4,170**	**$ 4,170**	**$ 4,160**	**$ 4,170**	**$ 4,170**	**$ 4,170**
	WATER DEPARTMENT						
1-4331-001	Commissioner's Salaries	$ 3,907	$ 3,907	$ 3,907	$ 3,907	$ 3,907	$ 3,907
1-4331-005	Superintendent's Salary	$ 34,611	$ 36,687	$ 36,687	$ 39,110	$ 37,568	$ 37,568
1-4331-011	F/T Wages Laborers	$ 22,294	$ 23,616	$ 24,253	$ 25,854	$ 24,182	$ 24,182
1-4331-015	P/T Wages Office Staff	$ 12,038	$ 9,000	$ 9,263	$ 9,594	$ 9,216	$ 9,216
1-4331-016	P/T Wages Laborers	$ 360	$ 1,000	$ 216	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000

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1-4331-026	O/T Wages Laborers	$ -	$ 200	$ -	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200
1-4331-030	Merit Pay	$ 2,170	$ 2,200	$ 2,200	$ 2,893	$ 1,419	$ 1,419
1-4331-035	Medicare	$ 1,093	$ 1,090	$ 1,110	$ 1,197	$ 1,197	$ 1,197
1-4331-036	FICA	$ 4,356	$ 4,700	$ 4,745	$ 5,118	$ 5,118	$ 5,118
1-4331-040	Health Insurance	$ 19,787	$ 24,720	$ 24,673	$ 24,720	$ 24,720	$ 24,720
1-4331-041	Dental Insurance	$ 1,244	$ 1,650	$ 1,494	$ 1,650	$ 1,650	$ 1,650
1-4331-042	Life/AD&D Insurance	$ 173	$ 175	$ 173	$ 175	$ 175	$ 175
1-4331-045	NHRS Retirement	$ 2,425	$ 2,600	$ 3,194	$ 4,015	$ 3,797	$ 3,797
1-4331-110	Meetings and Conferences	$ 180	$ 500	$ 230	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500
1-4331-111	Dues and Fees	$ 492	$ 600	$ 530	$ 600	$ 600	$ 600
1-4331-112	Travel and Mileage	$ -	$ 10	$ -	$ 10	$ 10	$ 10
1-4331-131	Office Supplies	$ 2,028	$ 5,750	$ 6,784	$ 3,350	$ 3,350	$ 3,350
1-4331-133	Postage	$ 1,587	$ 1,400	$ 1,518	$ 1,400	$ 1,400	$ 1,400
1-4331-175	Telecomm. Expenses	$ 3,331	$ 2,450	$ 3,367	$ 2,640	$ 2,640	$ 2,640
1-4331-193	Equipment Rental	$ 45	$ 500	$ 2,518	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500
1-4331-201	New Equipment	$ 2,193	$ 2,437	$ 3,573	$ 2,420	$ 2,420	$ 2,420
1-4331-202	Equipment Maint. Expense	$ 947	$ 500	$ 146	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500
1-4331-203	Pump Maint. Expense	$ 66	$ 2,500	$ 2,504	$ 2,500	$ 2,500	$ 2,500
1-4331-206	Uniforms	$ 469	$ 650	$ 492	$ 650	$ 650	$ 650
1-4331-207	Vehicle Expenses	$ 1,246	$ 1,000	$ 12,992	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
1-4331-208	Tires	$ 170	$ 200	$ -	$ 800	$ 800	$ 800
1-4331-214	Vehicle Fuel	$ 1,350	$ 1,000	$ 1,709	$ 1,200	$ 1,200	$ 1,200
1-4331-277	Workers' Comp. Insurance	$ 1,354	$ 1,400	$ 1,133	$ 1,400	$ 1,400	$ 1,400
1-4331-278	Prop/Liability Insurance	$ 1,194	$ 1,600	$ 1,287	$ 1,600	$ 1,600	$ 1,600
1-4331-279	Uninsured Expenses	$ -	$ 100	$ -	$ 100	$ 100	$ 100
1-4331-299	Levey Park Lease	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500
1-4331-303	Electricity	$ 15,203	$ 18,500	$ 14,888	$ 18,500	$ 18,500	$ 18,500
1-4331-304	Building Fuel	$ 506	$ 1,500	$ 784	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 1,500
1-4331-307	Reservoir Expenses	$ 165	$ 200	$ 133	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200
1-4331-309	Building Expenses	$ 442	$ 500	$ 528	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500
1-4331-601	Water Main Expenses	$ 47,894	$ 7,000	$ 5,148	$ 7,000	$ 7,000	$ 7,000
1-4331-605	Water Service Expenses	$ 6,622	$ 6,000	$ 8,301	$ 6,000	$ 6,000	$ 6,000
1-4331-607	Summer Line Expenses	$ 1,593	$ 4,000	$ 4,587	$ 4,000	$ 4,000	$ 4,000
1-4331-608	Pavement Expenses	$ 2,179	$ 500	$ 745	$ 500	$ 5,000	$ 5,000
1-4331-609	Meter Program	$ 3,633	$ 3,200	$ 75	$ 3,200	$ 3,200	$ 3,200
1-4331-617	Water Treatment	$ 5,558	$ 6,500	$ 7,256	$ 8,500	$ 8,500	$ 8,500
1-4331-618	Water Testing	$ 420	$ 3,000	$ 3,464	$ 3,000	$ 3,000	$ 3,000

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1-4331-619	Refunds	$ -	$ 100	$ -	$ 100	$ 100	$ 100
1-4331-803	Fire Hydrant Expenses	$ 5,485	$ 4,000	$ 3,246	$ 4,000	$ 4,000	$ 4,000
1-4331-882	Staff Recruiting	$ -	$ 100	$ -	$ 100	$ 100	$ 100
1-4331-899	Contingency Expenses	$ 1,423	$ 4,000	$ 750	$ 4,000	$ 4,000	$ 4,000
1-4331-900	Well Loan Payment	$ -	$ 35,000	$ -	$ 35,000	$ 35,000	$ 35,000
1-4331-	**WATER DEPT. TOTALS**	**$ 212,732**	**$ 228,742**	**$ 201,101**	**$ 237,204**	**$ 236,419**	**$ 236,419**
	PEST CONTROL						
1-4414-009	ACO Salary	$ 4,871	$ 6,052	$ 4,258	$ 6,542	$ 6,542	$ 6,542
1-4414-010	Training	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 450	$ 450	$ 450
1-4414-110	Meetings and Conferences	$ -	$ 450	$ 402	$ -	$ -	$ -
1-4414-111	Dues and Fees	$ -	$ 1	$ -	$ 100	$ 100	$ 100
1-4414-112	Travel and Mileage	$ -	$ 30	$ -	$ 32	$ 32	$ 32
1-4414-134	Reference Materials	$ -	$ 58	$ -	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4414-139	General Expenses	$ -	$ 375	$ 307	$ 375	$ 375	$ 375
1-4414-164	Animal Treatment Fees	$ 202	$ 200	$ 1,526	$ 800	$ 800	$ 800
1-4414-175	Telecomm. Expenses	$ 240	$ 720	$ 758	$ 470	$ 470	$ 470
1-4414-184	Contracted Services	$ -	$ 200	$ -	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200
1-4414-201	New Equipment	$ 200	$ 100	$ 118	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4414-202	Equipment Maint. Expense	$ -	$ 50	$ -	$ 50	$ 50	$ 50
1-4414-207	Vehicle Expense	$ 1,900	$ 1,993	$ 1,040	$ 760	$ 760	$ 760
1-4414-208	Tires	$ 409	$ 150	$ 425	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4414-214	Vehicle Fuel	$ 1,048	$ 500	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
1-4414-440	Radio Expense	$ -	$ 1	$ -	$ 225	$ 225	$ 225
1-4414-450	Infectious Disease Control	$ -	$ 75	$ 34	$ 275	$ 275	$ 275
1-4414-802	Humane Society	$ 2,305	$ 2,400	$ 2,243	$ 2,600	$ 2,600	$ 2,600
1-4414-	**PEST CONTROL TOTALS**	**$ 11,176**	**$ 13,355**	**$ 11,111**	**$ 12,882**	**$ 12,882**	**$ 12,882**
	WELFARE DEPARTMENT						
1-4442-015	Welfare Officer Salary	$ 1,592	$ 1,633	$ 1,633	$ 2,233	$ 2,233	$ 2,233
1-4442-110	Meetings/Conferences	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 343	$ 343	$ 343
1-4442111	Dues & Fees	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 50	$ 50	$ 50
1-4442-801	General Assistance	$ 29,148	$ 20,000	$ 27,825	$ 28,000	$ 28,000	$ 28,000
1-4442-802	Heidke Fund Assistance	$ 15,894	$ 20,000	$ 21,605	$ 20,000	$ 20,000	$ 20,000
1-4442-	**WELFARE DEPT. TOTALS**	**$ 46,633**	**$ 41,633**	**$ 51,064**	**$ 50,626**	**$ 50,626**	**$ 50,626**

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Acct. No.	Account Description	2002 ACTUAL	2003 BUDGET	2003 ACTUAL	2004 DEPT REQ.	2004 SELECTMEN'S	2004 BUDGET COMM
	RECREATION DEPARTMENT						
1-4520-005	Director's Salary	$ 36,000	$ 37,585	$ 38,741	$ 39,642	$ 39,642	$ 39,642
1-4520-006	P/T Clerk	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 3,647	$ 3,647	$ 3,647
1-4520-015	P/T Wages Lifeguards	$ 9,396	$ 9,144	$ 6,913	$ 5,520	$ 5,520	$ 5,520
1-4520-029	Benefit Buy-Out	$ 94	$ 2,891	$ 4,047	$ 3,064	$ 3,064	$ 3,064
1-4520-110	Meetings and Conferences	$ 1,303	$ 325	$ 320	$ 940	$ 940	$ 940
1-4520-111	Dues and Fees	$ 253	$ 267	$ 253	$ 267	$ 267	$ 267
1-4520-112	Travel and Mileage	$ 116	$ 1	$ -	$ 40	$ 40	$ 40
1-4520-113	Training/Educ	$ -	$ 705	$ -	$ 429	$ 429	$ 429
1-4520-131	Office Supplies	$ 361	$ 300	$ 245	$ 434	$ 434	$ 434
1-4520-133	Postage	$ 286	$ 252	$ 230	$ 252	$ 252	$ 252
1-4520-139	General Expenses	$ 983	$ 1,200	$ 471	$ 1,412	$ 1,412	$ 1,412
1-4520-162	Computer Expenses	$ 501	$ 680	$ 632	$ 846	$ 846	$ 846
1-4520-175	Telecomm. Expenses	$ 1,246	$ 1,296	$ 1,294	$ 1,296	$ 1,296	$ 1,296
1-4520-181	Printing and Signs	$ 1,433	$ 964	$ 695	$ 989	$ 989	$ 989
1-4520-183	Advertising	$ 131	$ 280	$ -	$ 250	$ 100	$ 100
1-4520-201	New Equipment	$ 700	$ 1	$ -	$ 1,328	$ 664	$ 664
1-4520-206	Uniforms	$ 507	$ 427	$ 411	$ 427	$ 340	$ 340
1-4520-303	Electricity	$ 208	$ 312	$ 180	$ 312	$ 312	$ 312
1-4520-305	Liberty Tree Park Water	$ 150	$ 190	$ 200	$ 190	$ 190	$ 190
1-4520-351	Concerts	$ 3,494	$ 4,370	$ 4,141	$ 4,370	$ 4,370	$ 4,370
1-4520-352	Special Events	$ 450	$ 1,150	$ 1,024	$ 1,150	$ 1,150	$ 1,150
1-4520-	**REC. DEPT. TOTALS**	**$ 57,611**	**$ 62,340**	**$ 59,798**	**$ 66,805**	**$ 65,904**	**$ 65,904**
	LIBRARY						
1-4550-005	Librarian's Salary	$ 30,967	$ 31,772	$ 31,772	$ 32,535	$ 32,535	$ 32,535
1-4550-015	P/T Wages Library Staff	$ 18,410	$ 20,368	$ 20,214	$ 20,857	$ 20,857	$ 20,857
1-4550-016	P/T Substitutes	$ 972	$ 1,206	$ 1,032	$ 1,206	$ 1,206	$ 1,206
1-4550-017	P/T Aides	$ 4,736	$ 9,472	$ 8,336	$ 9,700	$ 9,700	$ 9,700
1-4550-110	Meetings and Conferences	$ 263	$ 315	$ 90	$ 315	$ 315	$ 315
1-4550-111	Dues and Fees	$ 310	$ 315	$ 325	$ 325	$ 325	$ 325
1-4550-112	Travel and Mileage	$ 63	$ 105	$ 89	$ 150	$ 150	$ 150
1-4550-131	Office Supplies	$ 1,147	$ 1,200	$ 1,134	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 1,500
1-4550-133	Postage	$ 189	$ 210	$ 215	$ 250	$ 250	$ 250
1-4550-134	Reference Materials	$ 1,649	$ 1,770	$ 1,835	$ 2,000	$ 2,000	$ 2,000
1-4550-135	Books & AV Expenses	$ 4,815	$ 6,000	$ 5,910	$ 7,030	$ 7,030	$ 7,030

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Acct. No.	Account Description	2002 ACTUAL	2003 BUDGET	2003 ACTUAL	2004 DEPT REQ.	2004 SELECTMEN'S	2004 BUDGET COMM
1-4550-139	General Expenses	$ 534	$ 925	$ 879	$ 925	$ 925	$ 925
1-4550-162	Computer Expenses	$ 857	$ 1,250	$ 1,250	$ 1,500	$ 1,500	$ 1,500
1-4550-163	Copy Machine Expenses	$ 366	$ 600	$ 340	$ 600	$ 600	$ 600
1-4550-175	Telecomm. Expenses	$ 1,255	$ 1,575	$ 1,348	$ 1,575	$ 1,575	$ 1,575
1-4550-181	Printing and Signs	$ 315	$ 315	$ 227	$ 315	$ 315	$ 315
1-4550-183	Advertising	$ 153	$ 210	$ 90	$ 210	$ 210	$ 210
1-4550-201	New Equipment	$ 2,270	$ 1	$ -	$ 2,500	$ 700	$ 700
1-4550-202	Equipment Maint Expenses	$ 215	$ 252	$ 196	$ 782	$ 782	$ 782
1-4550-303	Library Electricity	$ 3,480	$ 4,200	$ 3,672	$ 4,200	$ 4,200	$ 4,000
1-4550-304	Library Bldg. Fuel	$ 4,795	$ 5,670	$ 4,134	$ 5,670	$ 5,670	$ 5,000
1-4550-305	Library Water	$ 200	$ 300	$ 200	$ 300	$ 300	$ 300
1-4550-309	Library Bldg. Expenses	$ 970	$ 1,200	$ 1,567	$ 1,200	$ 700	$ 700
1-4550-	**LIBRARY TOTALS**	**$ 78,931**	**$ 89,231**	**$ 84,856**	**$ 95,645**	**$ 93,345**	**$ 92,475**
	GILMAN MUSEUM						
1-4575-015	P/T Wages Laborers	$ -	$ 300	$ -	$ 300	$ 300	$ 300
1-4575-021	O/T Wage Laborers	$ -	$ 1	$ -	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4575-035	Medicare	$ -	$ 5	$ -	$ 5	$ 5	$ 5
1-4575-036	Fica	$ -	$ 19	$ -	$ 19	$ 19	$ 19
1-4575-045	NHRS Retirement	$ -	$ 13	$ -	$ 13	$ 13	$ 13
1-4575-110	Meetings and Conferences	$ 230	$ 150	$ 519	$ 150	$ 150	$ 150
1-4575-111	Dues and Fees	$ 115	$ 210	$ 150	$ 210	$ 210	$ 210
1-4575-112	Travel and Mileage	$ 14	$ 96	$ 152	$ 100	$ 100	$ 100
1-4575-134	Reference Materials	$ 58	$ 160	$ 181	$ 30	$ 30	$ 30
1-4575-139	General Expenses	$ 3,115	$ 2,000	$ 1,049	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000
1-4575-162	Computer Expense	$ 463	$ 1,350	$ 313	$ 760	$ 760	$ 760
1-4575-175	Telecomm. Expenses	$ 585	$ 600	$ 848	$ 745	$ 745	$ 745
1-4575-181	Printing and Signs	$ 610	$ 750	$ 369	$ 425	$ 425	$ 425
1-4575-183	Advertising	$ -	$ 150	$ -	$ 50	$ 50	$ 50
1-4575-184	Contracted Services	$ 19,927	$ 21,428	$ 27,599	$ 1,300	$ 1,800	$ 1,800
1-4575-185	Consultant Services	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 27,300	$ 27,300	$ 27,300
1-4575-186	Museum Maintenace	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 3,010	$ 3,010	$ 3,010
1-4575-201	New Equipment	$ 1,698	$ 3,855	$ 531	$ 830	$ 830	$ 830
1-4575-202	Equipment Maint Expense	$ 4,863	$ 5,000	$ 307	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500
1-4575-278	Prop/Liability Insurance	$ 675	$ 1,359	$ 950	$ 1,359	$ 1,359	$ 1,359
1-4575-279	Uninsured Expenses	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000

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Acct. No.	Account Description	2002 ACTUAL	2003 BUDGET	2003 ACTUAL	2004 DEPT REQ.	2004 SELECTMEN'S	2004 BUDGET COMM
1-4575-303	Building Electricity	$ 921	$ 925	$ 1,111	$ 1,064	$ 1,064	$ 1,064
1-4575-304	Building Fuel	$ 844	$ 1,500	$ 1,092	$ 1,725	$ 1,725	$ 1,725
1-4575-305	Water	$ 50	$ 200	$ -	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200
1-4575-309	Building Expenses	$ 2,046	$ 5,100	$ 199	$ 1,050	$ 1,250	$ 1,250
1-4575-449	Turf and Grounds Expense	$ 327	$ 2,278	$ 597	$ 1,000	$ 750	$ 750
1-4575-	**MUSEUM TOTALS**	**$ 36,539**	**$ 47,449**	**$ 35,966**	**$ 44,146**	**$ 44,596**	**$ 44,596**
	PATRIOTIC PURPOSES						
1-4583-801	Decorate Veterans Graves	$ 500	$ 500	$ -	$ 500	$ 500	$ 500
1-4583-802	Fireworks	$ 14,200	$ 15,000	$ 15,000	$ 15,000	$ 15,000	$ 15,000
1-4583-804	Flag Decorations	$ 2,985	$ 3,500	$ 3,301	$ 3,500	$ 3,500	$ 3,500
1-4583-	**PATRIOT PURP. TOTALS**	**$ 17,685**	**$ 19,000**	**$ 18,301**	**$ 19,000**	**$ 19,000**	**$ 19,000**
	CONSERVATION COMMISSION						
1-4612-110	Meetings and Conferences	$ 90	$ 300	$ 120	$ 350	$ 350	$ 350
1-4612-111	Dues and Fees	$ 268	$ 275	$ 225	$ 275	$ 275	$ 275
1-4612-112	Travel and Mileage	$ 149	$ 250	$ 166	$ 250	$ 250	$ 250
1-4612-133	Postage	$ 38	$ 102	$ 1	$ 102	$ 102	$ 102
1-4612-139	General Expenses	$ 52	$ 150	$ 52	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200
1-4612-172	Lay Lake Monitoring	$ 1,100	$ 1,200	$ 1,100	$ 1,700	$ 1,700	$ 1,700
1-4612-175	Telecomm. Expenses	$ 2	$ 50	$ 4	$ 50	$ 50	$ 50
1-4612-181	Printing and Signs	$ -	$ 100	$ -	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200
1-4612-183	Advertising	$ 152	$ 110	$ -	$ 110	$ 110	$ 110
1-4612-184	Contracted Services	$ 360	$ 200	$ -	$ 200	$ 200	$ 200
1-4612-199	Easement Monitoring	$ -	$ 100	$ -	$ 100	$ 100	$ 100
1-4612-	**CONS. COMM. TOTALS**	**$ 2,211**	**$ 2,837**	**$ 1,669**	**$ 3,537**	**$ 3,537**	**$ 3,537**
	SHORT TERM DEBT						
1-4723-899	Tax Anticipation Note	$ -	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1	$ 1
1-4723-	**LONG-TERM DEBT TOTAL**	**$ -**	**$ 1**	**$ 1**	**$ 1**	**$ 1**	**$ 1**
	GROSS BUDGET TOTALS	**$ 3,731,279**	**$ 4,375,305**	**$ 4,148,567**	**$ 4,801,270**	**$ 4,647,399**	**$ 4,643,501**

ESTIMATED & ACTUAL REVENUES

Acct No.	Account Description	Year 2001 ESTIMATE MS4	Year 2001 ACTUAL	Year 2002 ESTIMATE MS4	Year 2002 ACTUAL	Year 2003 ESTIMATE	Year 2003 ACTUAL	Year 2004 ESTIMATE
REVENUES:								
3120	Land Use Change Taxes	$ 7,800	$ 7,400	$ 7,000	$ 12,645	$ 200,000	$ 328,792	$ 100,000
3185	Timber Taxes	$ 35,000	$ 37,531	$ 35,000	$ 42,728	$ 47,000	$ 51,741	$ 40,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	-	-	$ 7,000	$ 3,856	$ 4,000	$ 3,847	$ 4,000
3189	Other Taxes	$ 45,000	$ 48,138	$ 45,000	$ 51,648	$ 50,000	$ 53,463	$ 53,000
3190	Int & Penalties on Del Taxes	$ 20,000	$ 49,160	$ 35,000	$ 52,891	$ 50,000	$ 82,751	$ 85,000
3187	Excavation Tax	-	-	-	-	-		
3188	Excavation Activity Tax	$ 2,200	$ 2,415	-	$ 811	$ 700	$ 692	$ 700
3210	Business License & Permits	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,000	$ 1,500	$ 1,000	$ 1,150	$ 1,000
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	$ 650,000	$ 735,186	$ 700,000	$ 790,629	$ 770,000	$ 868,094	$ 870,000
3230	Building Permits	$ 35,000	$ 45,476	$ 40,000	$ 56,020	$ 50,000	$ 74,892	$ 70,000
3290	Other License, Permits & Fees	$ 20,000	$ 39,459	$ 30,000	$ 50,860	$ 40,000	$ 54,155	$ 50,000
3311-3319	From Federal Government	-	$ 56,746	-	$ 333,280	-	$ 14,833	$ 20,000
3351	Shared Revenues	-	$ 31,607	$ 30,000	$ 31,535	$ 13,969	$ 31,607	$ 30,000
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	-	$ 117,306	$ 100,000	$ 131,887	$ 138,692	$ 138,692	$ 120,000
3353	Highway Block Grant	$ 126,654	$ 126,654	$ 134,000	$ 134,158	$ 145,896	$ 145,896	$ 146,241
3356	State & Fed. Forest Land Re	$ 7,700	$ 7,702	$ 1,000	$ 169	$ 215	$ 215	$ 200
3401-3406	Income from Departments	$ 100,000	$ 147,809	$ 130,000	$ 125,824	$ 130,000	$ 166,689	$ 150,000
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	$ 250	$ 1,622	-	$ 46,618	$ 875	$ 27,030	$ 10,000
3502	Interest on Investments	$ 65,000	$ 84,180	$ 65,000	$ 51,176	$ 50,000	$ 45,123	$ 40,000
3503-3509	Other	$ 50,000	$ 45,807	$ 35,000	$ 42,534	$ 40,000	$ 56,819	$ 50,000
3912	From Special Rev Funds	-	-	-	-	-		$ 35,100
3913	From Capital Project Funds	-	-	-	-	-		
3914	From Enterprise Funds	-	-	-	-	-		
	Sewer - (Offset)	-	-	-	-	-		
	Water - (Offset)	$ 160,000	$ 194,781	$ 190,000	$ 211,029	$ 232,737	$ 206,685	$ 251,000
	Electric - (Offset)	-	-	-	-	-		
	Airport	-	-	-	-	-		
3915	From Capital Res. Funds	-	$ 1,005,453	$ 600,000	$ 876,051	$ 90,000	$ 84,073	$ 98,118
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds	-	-	$ 114,000	$ 100,996	$ 102,000	$ 95,496	$ 122,867
3934	Proceeds from Long Bonds &	-	-	-	-	$ 144,332		
	Notes	-	-	-	-			
	Surplus							$ 116,500
	Total Estimated Revenue	$ 1,325,604	$ 2,785,432	$ 2,299,000	$ 3,148,845	$ 2,301,416	$ 2,532,734	$ 2,463,726

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Alton in the County of Belknap, New Hampshire. You are hereby notified to meet at the Alton Central Schools on Wednesday, the 10th day of March, 2004 to act upon the 2004 Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Given under our hands and seal, on this the 23rd day of February 2004, by the Alton Board of Selectmen. Attest:

James Washburn, Chairman

Patricia Fuller, Vice-Chairman

Stephan McMahon, Selectman

William Ryan, Selectman

Alan Sherwood, Selectman

Board of Selectmen
Town Administrator

Town Of Alton

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POSTING OF WARRANT

CERTIFICATE

TO: Lisa Waterman

FROM: Patricia A. Rockwood, Executive Secretary

DATE: February 23, 2004

This is to certify that I, Patricia A. Rockwood, acting in my capacity as the Town Executive Secretary, hereby affirm that as of February 23, 2004, I have posted certified copies of the 2004 Annual Town Meeting Warrant and Budget in the following locations, in accordance with the provisions of RSA 39:5, on behalf of the Board of Selectmen:

Alton Town Hall - (a Public Place)
Alton Central Fire Station - (a Polling Place)
Alton Central School - (a Polling Place)

UNDER SEAL OF THE TOWN, ATTEST:

Patricia A Rockwood

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
COUNTY OF BELKNAP

On this the 23th day of February, 2004, personally appeared before me the above named Patricia A. Rockwood, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to this certificate, and acknowledged that she has executed the same for the purposes herein contained. Before me:

Lisa Waterman

LISA WATERMAN Notary Public
My Commission Expires October 27, 2004

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Alton in the County of Belknap, New Hampshire. You are hereby notified to meet at the Alton Central Fire Station on Tuesday, the 9th day of March, 2004. The polls will be open between the hours of 7:00am and 7:00pm to act upon the following subjects:

TO VOTE FOR TWO SELECTMEN FOR THREE YEARS

TO VOTE FOR ONE SELECTMAN FOR ONE YEAR

TO VOTE FOR ONE TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS FOR THREE YEARS

TO VOTE FOR ONE LIBRARY TRUSTEE FOR THREE YEARS

TO VOTE FOR ONE FIRE WARD FOR THREE YEARS

TO VOTE FOR ONE FIRE WARD FOR TWO YEARS

TO VOTE FOR ONE FIRE WARD FOR ONE YEAR

TO VOTE FOR ONE MODERATOR FOR TWO YEARS

TO VOTE FOR ONE CEMETERY TRUSTEE FOR THREE YEARS

TO VOTE FOR ONE WATER COMMISSIONER FOR THREE YEARS

TO VOTE FOR THREE BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR THREE YEARS

TO VOTE FOR THREE BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR TWO YEARS

TO VOTE FOR ONE BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBER FOR ONE YEAR

TO VOTE FOR TWO PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS FOR THREE YEARS

TO VOTE FOR ONE SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST FOR SIX YEARS

TO VOTE ON QUESTIONS RELATING TO ZONING AMENDMENTS RECOMMENDED BY THE ALTON PLANNING BOARD

ARTICLE 2:

Alton Planning Board
Proposed Zoning Amendments
For Placement on the Official Ballot for
March 9, 2004 Town Meeting

QUESTION #1: Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #1** as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend Article 200, Section 229, b. - **New Construction for Condominium Conveyance -** by changing: Construction shall not exceed ***five units*** per building to: Construction shall not exceed ***four units*** per building for all multi-family structures built after March 2004? (Recommended by the Planning Board. Majority Vote Required.)

RATIONALE: This housekeeping change is needed so that we will not be in conflict with the requirement of the Zoning Ordinance to only allow four units in a structure.

(_) YES (_) NO

QUESTION #2: Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #2** as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend Article 300, Section 352, a. by adding the following language: The minimum lot area shall be two acres ***per dwelling unit***? (Recommended by the Planning Board. Majority Vote Required.)

RATIONALE: As the ordinance reads today a structure of 4 units can be placed on a two-acre lot. This amendment would require eight (8) acres, which would be closer to the intent of the Rural Zone.

(_) YES (_) NO

QUESTION #3: Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #3** as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend Article 300, Zoning district Regulations, Section 352 Restriction Governing Uses, b, by changing the required frontage in the Rural Zone from 150' to 200'? The new section shall read: Each lot shall have a minimum width of ~~150~~ ***200*** feet frontage at the street or highway line. (Recommended by the Planning Board. Majority Vote Required.)

RATIONALE: This change will assist in protecting and enhancing the Master Plan's intent of promoting the rural character of the zone.

(_) YES (_) NO

QUESTION #4: Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #4** as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend Article 300, Section 301 Permitted Uses – Table of Uses by not allowing multi-family dwellings in the rural zone (RU)?

	Residential Uses	R	LR	RC	RR	RU	RS	

4	Multi-family Dwelling	N	N	Y	Y	~~Y~~N	N	

(Recommended by the Planning Board. Majority Vote Required.)

RATIONALE: This change will assist in protecting and enhancing the Master Plan's intent of promoting the rural character of the zone.

(_) **YES** (_) **NO**

QUESTION #5: Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #5** as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend the Zoning Ordinance by amending Article 200 by adding to Section 240, Sign Regulations, by adding a subsection R. This new subsection will read as: ***Enforcement, Notification and Removal. It shall be the duty of the Code Enforcement Officer to notify the violator and/or building owner of any violation in writing and if condition or violation is not corrected in five (5) business days from the date of notification, the Code Officer is authorized to impose a fine as specified by the Board of Selectmen***? (Recommended by the Planning Board. Majority Vote Required.)

RATIONALE: To promote the beautification of Alton, to protect the rural character and to make sign enforcement more effective.

(_) **YES** (_) **NO**

QUESTION #6: Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #6** as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend the Zoning Ordinance by amending Article 200 by adding to Section 240, Sign Regulations, by changing subsection M. All political signs, including posters, are considered to be temporary and shall be removed within ~~15~~ ***7 (seven)*** days of any general, state, and/or local elections and shall not require any permit. The candidate, candidates, or group whose name appears on any such sign shall be responsible for their removal? (Recommended by the Planning Board. Majority Vote Required.)

RATIONALE: To promote the beautification of Alton, to protect the rural character and to make sign enforcement more effective.

(_) **YES** (_) **NO**

QUESTION #7: Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #7** as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend the Zoning Ordinance by amending Article 300 by adding to Section 352, Restrictions Governing Uses, by adding the following subsection e. ***For all lots created after March 2004, no more than 25% of the minimum lot requirement can be made up of jurisdictional Wetlands and Steep Slopes - 25 % or greater***? (Recommended by the Planning Board. Majority Vote Required.)

RATIONALE: This addition to the Ordinance will protect ecologically-sensitive areas and reduce damage to both the natural and cultural environments caused by excessive soil erosion.

(_) YES (_) NO

QUESTION #8: Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #8** as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To add to Article 200, Section 235 APPEARANCE REVIEW A. Purpose: The Town finds it desirable to protect, enhance, and perpetuate areas of historical, cultural, architectural, artistic or geographic significance located within the Town of Alton; to protect and enhance the Town's economic base by attracting tourists, visitors and residents; to stabilize and improve property values; to foster civic pride by protecting the Town's unique cultural heritage by prohibiting the unnecessary destruction and defacement of its cultural assets; to preserve historic architectural design and integrity; ***to protect significant viewsheds and vistas,*** and to ensure the harmonious, orderly and efficient growth and development of the Town? (Recommended by the Planning Board. Majority Vote Required.)

RATIONALE: This addition to the Ordinance allows the town to address those areas of significant beauty.

(_) YES (_) NO

QUESTION #9: Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #9** as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend Article 400, Section 410 Term, Membership, Authority, and Duties, by changing the number of alternates from three to five as follows: In conformance with RSA 673:1, IV, the Board of Selectmen shall appoint a Board of Adjustment consisting of five (5) members and **five ~~(3)~~ (5)** alternates whose qualifications, duties and organizations shall conform to the provisions of RSA 673:3-17? (Recommended by the Planning Board. Majority Vote Required.)

RATIONALE: This is a housekeeping change to allow the Board to stay current with the existing RSA.

(_) YES (_) NO

QUESTION #10: Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #10**as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend Article 200, Section 235 B, Review Process by adding the words ***and subdivision*** to allow the subsection to read as follows: "As part of its site review ***and subdivision*** process the Planning Board shall review each proposal for conformance with the intent of this ordinance. The Board shall take into account the location within the community, surrounding properties and proposed use of any proposed development in making its decision." (Recommended by the Planning Board. Majority Vote Required.)

RATIONALE: This will allow the Planning Board to work with the applicant on issues related to scenic views, landscape design improvements, and other issues related to aesthetics.

(_) **YES** (_) **NO**

QUESTION #11: Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #11** as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend Article 300, Section 363 Restrictions Governing Use (In the RR zone) by changing the word ***family*** to ***dwelling unit***. This section shall read as follows: a. The minimum lot area shall be:

1. Dwelling - 1 acre per ~~family~~ ***dwelling unit***. No more than two (2) dwellings per lot are permitted without subdivision approval.
2. All other uses - 1 acre.

(Recommended by the Planning Board. Majority Vote Required.)

RATIONALE: This is a housekeeping change in order to express the original intent of the ordinance.

(_) **YES** (_) **NO**

QUESTION #12: Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #12** as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: To amend Article 500, Definitions by changing the definition of Frontage Street. The new definition shall read as follows: Frontage, Street - The distance along the front lot line or right-of-way line of a ~~public or private street~~ ***Class V Highway or better*** measured in feet. Each lot shall meet minimum frontage requirements on the street through which beneficial access is achieved. Also, see Frontage, Shoreland. (Recommended by the Planning Board. Majority Vote Required.)

RATIONALE: This is a housekeeping change in order to express the original intent of the Master Plan and the subdivision process that requires that subdivision roads be brought up to Class V standards.

(_) **YES** (_) **NO**

WARRANT ARTICLES
2004 TOWN MEETING

You are herby notified to meet at the Alton Central School Gymnasium on Wednesday the tenth (10th) day of March in the year Two Thousand Four (2004), beginning at seven (7:00) o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of acting upon the following Warrant Articles:

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Twenty Thousand Dollars ($20,000.00)** to replace the water main on Appleyard Lane (fka: Pine Street Extension); and the total amount shall be borne by the water system rate payers and not by general taxation. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Thirty-seven Thousand Dollars ($37,000.00)** for the purpose of purchasing a new assessing software system, hardware and converting the current records over to the new system; and to further the authorize withdrawal of Twenty-two Thousand Three Hundred Eighty ($22,380.00) Dollars from the Capital Reserve Fund for revaluation and the balance of Fourteen Thousand Six Hundred Twenty ($14,620.00) Dollars from general taxation. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7:VI and will not lapse until completed or by December 31st, 2005, whichever is sooner. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25,000.00)** for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a new police patrol vehicle. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of renovation and expansion of the police building; and to raise and appropriate **Forty Thousand Dollars ($40,000.00)** to be placed in this fund; and to appoint the Selectmen as Agents to expend from this reserve fund. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Thirteen Thousand Dollars ($13,000.00)** to be added to the Library Elevator Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($18,500.00)** for the purpose of purchasing a new 4x4 vehicle for the Building/Health Dept. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen - not recommended by the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to advise the Board of Selectmen that it is the intent of the town meeting that the town will not spend public funds to provide winter maintenance for private roads in the Town of Alton.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue winter road maintenance of the following private roads: Bachelor Drive, Dan Kelly Drive, Ginny Drive, Hazlett Road, Kimball Lane, Hermit Road, Eugene Drive, Proctor Road, Linwood Drive, Roger Street, and Spring Street Extension. (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000.00)** for the purpose of developing a design and promotional materials for a new Park/Historical area located on Depot Road. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7VI and will not lapse until the layout is completed or by December 31st, 2005, whichever is sooner. The Downtown Revitalization Committee would use this to obtain grants and fund raising for the development of this site. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25,000.00)** to be placed in the Benefit Pay Expendable Trust Fund, as previously established. Said funds are recommended by the Town Auditors to be used to pay for benefits accrued by Town Employees and redeemed when they leave employment with the Town of Alton, in accordance with the Town Personnel Policy. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 13: Elderly Exemption. Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Alton based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age to 75 years $20,000.00; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years $30,000.00; for a person 80 years of age or older $40,000.00. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the Taxpayer must have a net income of not more than $25,000.00; or, if married, a combined net income of less than $44,000.00; and own net assets not in excess of $50,000.00, excluding the value of the person's residence.

ARTICLE 14: Veteran's Exemption. Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28,V&VI for an optional veteran's tax credit and expanded qualifying war service for veterans seeking the tax credit. The optional veteran's tax credit will be **$200.00** rather than $100.00. (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($25,000.00)** to be added to the Solid Waste Center Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Two Hundred Thirty-three Thousand Dollars ($233,000.00)** for the purpose of closing the septage lagoons on Rines Road and for the disposal of the solids at an approved facility. A portion of this sum to come from fund balance (surplus) of $116,500.00 and the balance of $116,500.00 is to come from general taxation. This is a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7,VI and will not lapse until completed or by December 31st, 2005, whichever is sooner. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 25: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five year agreement for **Two Hundred Fifty-three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($253,500.00)** for the purpose of leasing/purchasing a rescue vehicle for the Fire Dept; and to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Seven Hundred ($50,700.00) Dollars for the first year payment for that purpose. This lease agreement must contain an escape clause. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen - not recommended by the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Thirty-five Thousand One Hundred Dollars ($35,100.00)** for the purpose of purchasing a new ambulance; and to authorize the withdrawal of $35,100.00 from the Special Revenue Ambulance Fund, and no amount to be raised from taxation. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Sixteen Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-five Dollars ($16,745.00)** for the purpose of repairs to the West Alton Fire Station, based on a new Lease Agreement. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7VI and will not lapse until the repairs are completed or by December 31st, 2005, whichever is sooner. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 28: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00)** for the purpose of equipping a new pump Truck for the Alton Fire Dept; and to authorize the withdrawal of Ten Thousand ($10,000.00) Dollars from the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and no amount to be raised from taxation. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 29: Shall we expand the purpose of the special reserve ambulance fund established in 2000 under the provisions of RSA 31:95-C to restrict all of the revenues from ambulance fees to expenditures for the purpose of operating the ambulance service to include: vehicles, equipment, supplies, manpower, and other associated costs. Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund to be known as the 'Ambulance Operation Fund', separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund or source of revenue. (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to amend the Alton Fire Department Retirement Pension pay schedule by deleting the five (5%) percent per year increase and the maximum of twenty-five (25%) percent of base and authorizing a COLA increase each year equivalent to annual Town Employee COLA, as set by the Board of Selectmen. (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00)** to be added to the Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Seven Thousand Dollars ($7,000.00)** to purchase a new Tractor with snow blower and plow for the Parks & Recreation/Grounds Maintenance Dept. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until purchased or by December 31st, 2005, whichever is sooner. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 18: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of purchasing a Parks & Recreation/Grounds Maintenance Dept. pickup truck; and to raise and appropriate the sum of **Twelve Thousand Dollars ($12,000.00)** to be placed in this fund; and to appoint the Selectmen as Agents to expend from this reserve fund. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Twenty-four Thousand Dollars ($24,000.00)** for the purpose of repairing the town docks. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until the repairs are completed or by December 31, 2005, whichever is sooner. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of establishing a new town beach; and to raise and appropriate the sum of **Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00)** to be placed in that fund. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen - not recommended by the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee recommended sum of **Four Million, Six Hundred Forty Three Thousand, Five Hundred and One Dollars ($4,643,501.00)** for general municipal operations. The Selectmen recommend **($4,647, 399.00)** This article does not include special or individual articles addressed. (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Fifty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Six Dollars ($55,476.00)** for the purpose of purchasing 12 air packs; and to further authorize the withdrawal of $27,738.00 from the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and the balance of $27,738.00 to come from general taxation. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Thirty-eight Thousand Dollars ($38,000.00)** for the purpose of purchasing an air compressor for the Fire Fighter air tanks and to authorize withdrawal of $38,000.00 from the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for payment and not by general taxation. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00)** for the purpose of adding a 20'x40' addition to the Central Fire Station. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7VI and will not lapse until the addition is completed or by December 31st, 2005, whichever is sooner. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00)** to be added to the Highway Equipment/Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen, the Budget Committee recommends $25,000.00] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00)** to be added to the Sand Shed Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($750,000.00)** to be added to the Highway Reconstruction Capital Reserve Fund, as previously established. Said amount is partially offset by revenues from the Highway Block Grant Fund estimated to be $146,241.39. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen - the Budget Committee recommends $725,000.00] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00)** for the purpose of installing a water main to the Highway Dept building. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 37:7VI and will not lapse until the line is installed or by December 31st, 2005, whichever comes sooner. [Appropriation recommended by the Selectmen and not recommended by the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to place 50%, not to exceed **$20,000.00** of the revenues collected from the Land Use Change Tax levied under RSA 79-A:7, in the conservation Fund previously established (March 14, 1990) under the provisions of RSA79-A:25,II. Recommended by the conservation Commission

ARTICLE 37: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Sixty-six Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-two Dollars ($66,892.00)** for the purpose of supporting the following community organizations:

(1) Alton Community Services Program	$ 7,500.00
(2) American Red Cross	1,397.00
(3) Community Action Program	7,771.00
(4) Genesis	5,866.00
(5) Huggins Hospital	800.00
(6) Lakes Region Community Services Council	600.00
(7) New Beginnings	1,300.00
(8) VNA - Hospice	23,640.00
(9) Youth Services Bureau	12,669.00
(10) Lakes Region Planning Commission	5,349.00

[Appropriation not recommended by the Selectmen or the Budget Committee] (a majority vote is required)

ARTICLE 38: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to grant an easement for the benefit of property owned by Robert J Wright and Rosanne Wright to construct, reconstruct, maintain and repair a septic system and retaining wall adjacent to the area of land known as Railroad Avenue between the edge of the improved and traveled roadway and the property of said Wright. The Selectmen are authorized to reserve such public rights in the easement area as they determine necessary.

ARTICLE 39: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of **Two Thousand Seven Hundred ($2,700.00) Dollars** and authorize an annual cost of living increase same as the town employees for the Cemetery Trustees. The following increases effective 2004:

(1) Cemetery Chairman	$1,200.00
(2) 2 Cemetery Trustees @ $750.00 each	1,500.00

The purpose of this petition is to bring their salaries in the Operating Budget into line with other elected Trustees, Fire Wardens and Water Commissioners of the Town of Alton. [Appropriation not recommended by the Selectmen or the Budget Committee] (By Petition)

ARTICLE 40: To hear reports of any committees, boards, trustees, commissions, officials, agents or concerned voters; and vote to accept the same. Furthermore, to conduct any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

UNDER SEAL OF THE TOWN and given under our hand on this the 23rd day of February, 2004, by the Alton Board of Selectmen. ATTEST:

James Washburn, Chairman James C Washburn

Patricia Fuller, Vice-Chairman Patricia M Fuller

Stephan McMahon, Selectman Stephen McMahon

William Ryan, Selectman William Ryan

Alan Sherwood, Selectman Alan R. Sherwood

MS-7

BUDGET OF THE TOWN/CITY

OF: TOWN OF ALTON

BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2004

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.

2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.

3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

This is to certify that this budget was posted with the warrant on the (date) _____.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION
MUNICIPAL FINANCE BUREAU
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

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MS-7 Budget - Town/City of ALTON FY 2004

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	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive		$ 392,581	$ 376,117	$ 388,585		388585	
4140-4149	Election,Reg.& Vital Statistics		$ 3,216	$ 2,842	$ 7,807		7807	
4150-4151	Financial Administration							
4152	Revaluation of Property							
4153	Legal Expense		$ 67,900	$ 44,302	$ 47,900		47900	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		$ 642,274	$ 591,570	$ 708,063		708063	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		$ 184,275	$ 191,547	$ 239,292		239292	
4194	General Government Buildings		$ 140,331	$ 125,881	$ 161,186		160586	-600
4195	Cemeteries		$ 56,075	$ 37,925	$ 59,151		59151	
4196	Insurance		$ 95,000	$ 110,545	$ 109,501		109501	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.							
4199	Other General Government							
	PUBLIC SAFETY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police		$ 787,399	$ 762,826	$ 811,440		810090	-1350
4215-4219	Ambulance						309931	500
4220-4229	Fire		$ 265,239	$ 261,845	$ 309,431			
4240-4249	Building Inspection							
4290-4298	Emergency Management		$ 5,650	$ 781	$ 8,329		8329	
4299	Other (Including Communications)							
	AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations							
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration							
4312	Highways & Streets		$ 827,030	$ 779,830	$ 846,831		846253	-578
4313	Bridges							

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	HIGHWAYS & STREETS cont.		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4316	Street Lighting		$ 27,000	$ 26,434	$ 27,000		27000	
4319	Other							
	SANITATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration							
4323	Solid Waste Collection							
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		$ 368,727	$ 360,761	$ 387,404		386404	-1000
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up							
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other		$ 3,850	$ 6,087	$ 5,000		5000	
	WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration							
4332	Water Services		$ 232,912	$ 205,261	$ 240,589		240589	
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other							
	ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation							
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance							
4359	Other Electric Costs							
	HEALTH/WELFARE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration							
4414	Pest Control		$ 13,355	$ 11,111	$ 12,882		12882	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other							
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		$ 41,633	$ 51,064	$ 50,626		50626	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts							
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other							

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	CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		62,340	59,798	65,904		65904	
4550-4559	Library		89,231	84,856	93,345		92475	-870
4583	Patriotic Purposes		19,000	18,301	19,000		19000	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		47,449	35,966	44,596		44596	
	CONSERVATION			XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources		2,837	1,669	3,537		3537	
4619	Other Conservation							
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMNT & HOUSING							
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT							
	DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes							
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes							
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes							
4790-4799	Other Debt Service		1		1			
	CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4901	Land							
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment		386,800					
4903	Buildings							
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.		231,332					
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund							
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							
4914	To Enterprise Fund							
	Sewer-							
	Water-							

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OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT cont.			XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
	Electric-							
	Airport-							
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund							
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917							
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds							
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds							
4919	To Agency Funds							
SUBTOTAL 1					$ 4,647,399		$ 4,643,501	

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount		Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3,VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trusts funds; or 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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	See attached list of Articles							
SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	$ 1,687,413	XXXXXXXXX	$ 1,441,321	XXXXXXXXX

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". An example of an individual warrant article might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements, leases or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

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	See Attached list under Special							
	Warrrant Articles							
SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXX

Warrant Articles 2004 Town Meeting

Purpose of Appropriations (RSA 32:3,V)	Warrant Article #	Selectmens Ensuing Recommended	Appropriations Fiscal Year Not Recommended	Budget Committee Ensuing Recommended	Appropriations Fiscal Year Not Recommended
Replace Water Line	3	$20,000		$20,000	
New Assessing Software	4	$37,000		$37,000	
Police Cruiser	5	$25,000		$25,000	
New C/R Police Building	6	$40,000		$40,000	
C/R Library Elevator	7	$13,000		$13,000	
LUPR 4x4 SUV Vehicle	8	$18,500			$18,500
Downtown Revitilization	11	$5,000		$5,000	
Benefit Pay Trust Fund	12	$25,000		$25,000	
C/R Solid Waste Equipment	15	$25,000		$25,000	
Septage Lagoon Closure	16	$233,000		$233,000	
Parks & Rec Tractor	17	$7,000		$7,000	
C/R Parks/Bdg Pickup Trk	18	$12,000		$12,000	
Town Dock Repairs	19	$24,000		$24,000	
C/R Town Beach	20	$50,000			$50,000
Fire Air Packs	22	$55,476		$55,476	
Fire Air Tank Compressor	23	$38,000		$38,000	
Fire Central Building Add.	24	$50,000		$50,000	
Fire Rescue Vehicle	25	$50,700			$50,700
New Ambulance	26	$35,100		$35,100	
West Alton Fire Station	27	$16,745		$16,745	
Fire Equip new truck	28	$10,000		$10,000	
C/R Hwy Bridge Fund	31	$10,000		$10,000	
C/R Hwy Depreciation Fund	32	$50,000		$25,000	$25,000
C/R Hwy Sand Shed Fund	33	$10,000		$10,000	
C/R Hwy ConstructionFund	34	$750,000		$725,000	25000
Hwy Building Water Line	35	$10,000			10000
Human Services Agencies	37	$66,892			66892
Petition Cemeter Trustees	39		$2,700		$2,700
Total		$1,687,413	$2,700	$1,441,321	$248,792

Budget - Town/City of ALTON FY 2004

1	2	3	4	5	6
ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
	TAXES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		200,000	328,792	100,000
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		47000	51,741	40,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		4,000	3,847	4,000
3189	Other Taxes		50,000	53,643	53,000
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		50,000	82,751	85,000
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax ($.02 cents per cu yd)		700	692	700
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		1,000	1,150	1,000
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		770,000	868,094	870,000
3230	Building Permits		50,000	74,892	70,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		40,000	54,155	50,000
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT			14,833	20,000
	FROM STATE		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		13,969	31,607	30,000
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		138,692	138,692	120,000
3353	Highway Block Grant		145,896	145,896	146,241
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		160	215	200
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)				
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		130,000	166,689	150,000
3409	Other Charges				
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		875	27,030	10,000
3502	Interest on Investments		50,000	45,123	40,000
3503-3509	Other		40,000	56,819	50,000
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				35,100
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				

MS-7 Budget - Town/City of Alton FY 2004

1	2	3	4	5	6
ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN cont.			XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)		232,737	206,685	251,000
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		90,000	84,073	98,118
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds		102000	95496	122867
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes		$ 144,332		
Amounts VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")					
Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes					116,500
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			$ 2,987,735	$ 2,532,734	$ 2,463,726

BUDGET SUMMARY

	PRIOR YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from pg. 5)		$ 4,647,399	$ 4,643,501
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)		$ 1,687,413	$ 1,441,321
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)			
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended		$ 6,334,812	$ 6,084,822
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)		$ 2,463,726	$ 2,463,726
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised		$ 3,871,086	$ 3,621,096

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18: _____ $ 604,982
(See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

TOWN GOVERNMENT GENERAL INFORMATION

ALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL.....875-7500
SAU OFFICE.....875-7890

TOWN HALL, - 1 Monument Square, Main Street(Connecting All Departments)
Monday through Friday -- 8:30AM until 4:30PM.....875-2161

TAX COLLECTOR.....875-2171

TOWN CLERK.....875-2101

LAND USE & PROPERTY RECORDS 875-5095
(Code Enforcement, Conservation, Planning and Zoning Board of Adjustment)

PARKS & RECREATION(Building & Grounds), Route 11..... 875-0109

SOLID WASTE CENTER, Hurd Hill Road, off Route 28A
Monday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday – 7:00AM until 4:45pm.....875-5801

RINES ROAD STUMP DUMP & BRUSH PIT(Permit Required)
Saturday & Sunday – 8:00AM until 3:00PM(Closed January – March)
Permits are required for the use of this facility).....875-5801

HIGHWAY GARAGE, Letter S. Road
Monday through Friday – 7:00AM until 3:30PM.....875-6808

POLICE DEPARTMENT, Depot Stree
Monday through Friday - 8:00AM - 5:00PM.....875-0757
Emergency.....911 TDD..... 875-1111

FIRE DEPARTMENT
Central Fire Station, Route 140(Business)..... 875-0222
Emergency.....911 Fire Warden..... 875-0222
Other Stations:
Bay Station @ Alton Bay
East Alton Station – Quarry Road
West Alton Station – Mount Major Highway

GILMAN LIBRARY, Main Street
Monday & Wednesday 11:00AM – 7:00PPM
Tuesday & Friday 9:00AM until 5:00PM
Thursday & Sunday(Closed)
Saturday 9:00AM until 1:00PM.....875-2550

WATER WORKS OFFICE, Route 140
Monday through Friday - 8:30AM until 12:30PM..... 875-2440

SENIOR CENTER, Pearson Road..... 875-7102

ALTON TOWN OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

Thursday, January 1st
Monday, February 16th
Monday, May 31st
Monday, July 5th
Monday, September 6th
Thursday, November 11th
Thursday, November 25th
Friday, November 26th *
Friday, December 25th

*The Solid Waste Center will be Open November 26th- The Day After Thanksgiving

FIRE ALARM SIGNALS
(FOR EMERGENCY USE ONLY)

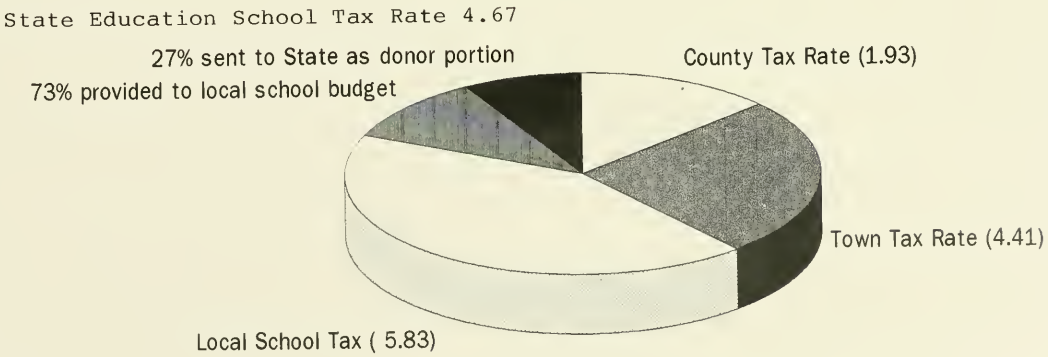
BOX NUMBER	LOCATION
01	Town Water Shut Off in 30 Minutes
04	Alton Bay Fire Station
05	Corner of Pine and School Streets
06	Corner of Main and Depot Streets
12	Alton Bay Christian Conference Center, across from the Chapel
13	Rand Hill Road
14	Alton Bay, Shibley's at the Pier (Victoria Pier)
24	Corner of Main and School Streets
26	Corner of Main Street and Old Wolfeboro Road
31	Corner of Route 140 and Mooney Street
32	Corner of Route 140 and Riverside Drive
34	Central Fire Station
36	Main Street, near site of NH Electric Cooperative Building
41	Main Street, opposite Levey Park
42	Main Street at the Junction of Letter S. Road
43	Main Street opposite the Laundromat
46	Rte28A – Alton Bay – Opposite former site of Oak Birch Inn
51	Alton Central School
123	Alton Town Hall
261	Union Telephone Company Building-Main Street
333	All Firefighters Report to Stations
333	12:45pm Saturdays-Alarm Tests

NOTICE: In case of fire emergency if no box alarm is available, **DIAL 911.** Central Dispatch will Sound alarm. State clearly your name, location or residence and type of fire. Your cooperation and compliance may help save time, property and lives.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR OPERATING A BOX ALARM: Opening a box does not sound the alarm. You must pull the handle down. Please remain at the box to direct firefighters. Second alarms will be sounded by order of the Fire Chief only. Do not sound alarm except for an emergency.

Alton Tax Rate 2003

Total Tax Rate 16.84 Per Thousand



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LAKE AND MOUNTAIN VIEWS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

RAILROAD AND STEAMBOAT STATION
ALTON BAY, N.H.
from the *Winnipiseogee House*

Alton Bay c. 1858
Courtesy of George Woodman
Computer Enhanced by Alan Sherwood